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Public recruited to combat crime

Civilians get call to join street patrols

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

A GOVERNMENT initiative to recruit thousands of civilian volunteers to buttress the police force will be launched by Michael Howard next month as he tries to regain the initiative on law and order.

The Home Secretary wants Neighbourhood Watch, which has five million members, empowered to patrol in co-operation with the police. He also wants to reinvigorate the movement by encouraging its development in inner cities and on large housing estates.

A code of practice governing Neighbourhood Watch activities will insist that any patrolling by members would be voluntary and worked out and agreed with police. Members would not be required to take direct action if they saw a crime but would be expected to call police immediately, to enable local patrol cars to respond. They would not wear uniforms or carry equipment for use in self defence.

Mr Howard is also preparing to announce an extension of the parish constable scheme, under which specially trained uniformed volunteers, with powers of arrest, patrol particular villages.

Also under consideration by the Home Office is the first national television advertising campaign to boost the number of special constables from 19,000 to 30,000 within 18 months. Special constables receive expenses but no pay. They are sworn, uniformed officers whose warrant is effective only in the area of the police force to which they are attached and in adjoining forces.



Howard: wants to boost role of special constables

Mr Howard is to outline his proposals for an expanded partnership between the public and the police as part of a wider ministerial effort to wrest the law-and-order initiative from Labour.

Despite deep reservations by senior police about allowing any of the 130,000 Neighbourhod Watch schemes to patrol their own streets, the Home Secretary remains convinced that the move would harness public anxiety about crime.

David Maclean, a junior minister in the Home Office with responsibility for police, said: "There are no buckets of money for more and more patrolling. We want more special constables and volunteers to help the police. Some people will be good enough to be special constables, but some will be better suited to Neighbourhood Watch.

"If industrial estates or others want to hire security people, so be it, and we are keen to encourage Neighbourhood Watch and special constables in police patrolling. But it would be quite wrong to say the police have no role in patrolling."

The Home Office and police had previously opposed street patrols by other than the police, fearing that they could lead to the development of vigilante squads.

One of Mr Howard's police critics said last night: "The suspicion is that he is creating a secondary organisation of police not because it is going to be more effective but to answer his critics on law and order. It will be done at little or no extra cost."

Mr Howard has been impressed by volunteer patrolling schemes operating as far apart as Washington DC and Sandwich in Kent, where a group of volunteers set up Town Watch, patrolling the streets at night and acting as the "eyes and ears" of the local police.

Earlier this year the Home Secretary visited Sandwich, Kent, and went out on patrol with members of the scheme. It was started by two local businessmen and, in teams of four, its members patrol the old Cinque port, keep an eye of empty houses and escort elderly people at night. They are supported by the local police to whom they report incidents or suspicions.

The organisers say domestic burglaries dropped by 40 per cent in 1993, thefts from motor vehicles fell from 12 in 1992 to two in 1993. But thefts of cars had not fallen and vandalism remained a problem.

Twenty pilot schemes for parish wardens and parish constables are operating in Britain. The first scheme involves police training and equipping uniformed, but unpaid, parish constables with powers of arrest. The second involves parish councils finding volunteers prepared to act as wardens, without special powers of arrest, who would be the "eyes and ears" of the police and summon their help when necessary.

Vandals' victim, page 3



A republican marching in Belfast yesterday in protest at 25 years of British troop patrols. Page 2

Father sees son die after knife attack by Asian gang

BY RICHARD DUCE

A FATHER described yesterday how he found his teenage son dying in the street after being stabbed in a racial attack by a gang of Asian youths.

Richard Everitt, 15, died from a wound to his chest on Saturday night. He is the first person to be killed in an upsurge of of violence against white people in King's Cross, London, during the past two months.

Last night there were calls for calm between white and Asian communities. Richard was attacked a few hundred yards from his home near the rail station. He was returning from a local takeaway with two friends.

After the other boys raised the alarm, Richard's father Norman went to the scene to find his son lying in a pool of blood as efforts were made to save him.

Mr Everitt, 40, said: "I am not a racist. Everyone should live together. But these people are the scum of the earth.

"I went round to where they said the attack had happened, and saw Richard in a pool of blood. It was terrible. Someone was trying to stem the flow of blood.

"Transport policemen from Euston station were there. I asked one of them if he was still alive and he said he could feel a slight pulse. I don't remember much after that."

Police said Richard was attacked by 11 Asian youths at 9.30 on Saturday evening after leaving the Burger King restaurant.

The gang confronted the boys and allowed a nine-year-old to pass before turning on the two others. One of the boys, Mark Fogarty, 17, managed to escape, but Richard was stabbed. He was taken to University College Hospital, where he was certified dead. A post-mortem examination yesterday found he had been killed by a single stab wound.

Michael Fogarty, Mark's father, said said. "They were just white kids in the wrong place at the wrong time."

Friends described Richard, who was almost 6ft tall, as a "big softie" who avoided playground fights and was one of the most popular pupils at school. Neighbours laid flowers yesterday at the spot where he was attacked.

Now there are fears among residents on the council estate where he lived that the incident could provoke racial attacks against local Bangladeshi families.



Richard Everitt: died from knife wound

Police warned residents against taking the law into their own hands. They said they were disturbed by a reversal in the trend of whites attacking ethnic minorities. Over the past two months seven white people have been attacked in the area, including another man stabbed.

Frank Dobson, Labour MP for St Pancras, said: "It must not be used as an excuse for tit-for-tat assaults. It's the job of the police to catch whoever committed this crime, and for the courts to punish them."

Police were last night interviewing eleven youths.

66% rise for The Times

WITH sales up by 66.6 per cent since July last year, *The Times* is the most successful newspaper in Britain.

At 599,358, sales last month were up by 239,536 on a year ago, according to the Audit Bureau of Circulations. They have risen by 245,000 since the weekday price was reduced to 30p last September.

The further reduction to 20p on weekdays and 30p on Saturdays announced at the end of June boosted sales by 75,000 last month, again the highest increase by any national daily or Sunday paper. Year-on-year last month, sales of *The Independent* had fallen by 77,000 (23 per cent), with *The Guardian* down by 7,600 and the *Financial Times* by 5,600.

Meanwhile, *The Times* has also recorded a big increase in its share of the quality daily market, up from 15 per cent to 23 per cent in the past 12 months.

City beating Wall Street

London has overtaken New York in its attempt to become the world's most powerful investment capital. The value of shares managed in the City rose 28 per cent to a record $682 billion (£445 billion) last year, $25 billion more than New York. London could now challenge Tokyo for global leadership Page 36

Sarajevo snipers agree to ceasefire

Sniper attacks on civilians, soldiers and peacekeepers in and around Sarajevo are due to cease from today under an agreement brokered by Lieutenant-General Sir Michael Rose between Bosnian Serb and Muslim forces Pages 8, 12

Bicycle bombs

Police were last night studying security videos from shops in Bognor Regis to try to identify the terrorists who planted two bicycle bombs in two seaside towns at the weekend Pages 3, 12

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United win

Manchester United claimed the honours in the first test of strength between the FA Carling Premiership big guns yesterday by defeating Blackburn Rovers 2-0 in the Charity Shield Page 19

Whitehall's hi-tech spending failed to cut bureaucracy

BY MICHAEL DYNES, WHITEHALL CORRESPONDENT

WHITEHALL spent more than £4 billion on new computers during the past five years without achieving any significant reduction in civil service numbers, new research has shown.

Failure to reduce the size of the state bureaucracy is in stark contrast to the private sector, where companies have exploited new technology to shed surplus manpower and boost productivity, the research says.

Evidence of Whitehall's failure to modernise its working practices comes barely a week after the disclosure by Sir Peter Levene, who headed a six-month inquiry into Whitehall spending, that there was no overall strategy in the hiring of outside consultants by government departments which last year cost £63 million. An analysis of state expenditure by Peter Roddam, of Roddam Research, shows that the Government spent £4 billion on new computer systems since 1990, and plans to spend a further £6 billion by 2000.

However, Mr Roddam, who specialises in extracting how much the Government spends on information technology from annual departmental budgets, insists that this expenditure is not being matched by reductions in surplus manpower.

A comparison of the public and private sectors shows that while the private sector has borne the cost of the recession by slimming down, the public sector has remained almost immune from the effects of the economic downturn. British Telecom, for example, has used new technology to reduce staff numbers from 250,000 to 150,000 since it was privatised in 1986, and all the commercial banks are carrying our a similar exercise, Mr Roddam says.

Treasury figures show that civil service numbers fell from their high-water mark of

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Levene: lack of overall strategy on consultants

Gatting back as cover for injured Gooch

MIKE GATTING returns to the England cricket team this week, and to the scene of his last Test century seven years ago. The former England captain has been recalled for the third Test against South Africa at The Oval on Thursday.

Although he has been chosen as cover for Graham Gooch, who injured a leg during the second Test at Headingley last week, he has been offered the chance to revive an often turbulent and sometimes tormented England career at the age of 37. By restoring him to the squad at such a sensitive time, the England selectors have given Gatting reason to believe that he will fulfil his remaining ambition in the game and make another tour of Australia this winter.

Gatting, who made the last of his 74 Test appearances 14 months ago, was not expecting to be recalled. "I didn't really think I would get in this summer, so the tour to Australia is my big aim," he said yesterday. "I don't believe I'm too old and I'm batting well this year."Gatting has scored four centuries this year, averaging nearly 70 for Middlesex.

Also recalled is Devon Malcolm, the Derbyshire fast bowler.

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Cathedrals to compete for tourist earnings

BY RUTH GLEDHILL
RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

SWEEPING changes to take England's 42 cathedrals into the 21st century are to be proposed in a report being considered by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, Dr George Carey and Dr John Habgood.

The changes will be designed to make cathedrals — multi-million pound institutions which attract millions of visitors a year — more accountable within the church and to their local communities. The changes will also be aimed at making cathedrals more competitive in the tourist market, although the main priorities remain worship and evangelism.

The most significant change is likely to be the establishment of a permanent new cathedrals advisory body, an ecclesiastical parallel to the Government's next-step agencies, which were an attempt to bring better customer service to the Civil Service and make it more commercially minded.

While unlikely to remove any of the powers vested in the hands of deans and chapters, the body would advise and report to the General Synod and would help cathedrals to produce readable and accessible accounts. The cathedrals have already set up a working party, jointly with the Institute of Chartered Accountants, to provide guidance on accounts.

The Very Rev John Southgate, former Dean of York and recently-retired chairman of the Association of English Cathedrals, the umbrella body which asked the Archbishops to set up a commission, said: "There are problems in the management structure of cathedrals." One result of the commission, he said, would be "something like an audit commission, so there would be an overview of the management of all cathedrals, and an understanding that you cannot do whatever you like".

The commission, chaired by Lady Howe, chairman of the Broadcasting Standards Council, is expected also to support moves in the wider church to end the clergy freehold, which guarantees incumbents a job to the end of their working life.

The Very Rev Christopher Campling, Dean of Ripon, said: "It

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Labour calls for bar on foreign takeover of NHS



Sackville: had talks with US health company

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY
POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

HEALTH ministers faced pressure last night to explain plans allowing American companies to set up business partnerships with health service trusts.

After Tom Sackville, the health minister, disclosed that he had had talks with one American health care company, Labour MPs demanded assurances that the Government would not allow overseas companies to take over parts of the health service. They called for ministers to bar foreign companies from buying hospitals that are in financial difficulty.

Mr Sackville met officials from Salick Health Care, a Los Angeles company, in June to discuss their plans to offer diagnostic and therapeutic services for patients suffering from cancer and kidney failure.

The minister insisted yesterday that he would not take any steps to introduce foreign investment into the health service, but would leave health trusts and GP fundholders to decide whether to open partnerships. The Government remained "strictly neutral" on the issue.

Labour accused ministers of preparing the way for private companies to take over health services.

The party said US companies were "seeking to soak the British taxpayer with the aid and approval of Government ministers". They also expressed fears that American companies, worried that President Clinton's health reforms would reduce their profits, would look to Britain and Europe to take a larger stake in health care.

David Blunkett, the shadow Health Secretary, said: "We must have become a soft touch for easy profits in health care if the Americans are seeking to escape Bill Clinton's efforts at cost-cutting and increased efficiency.

"Having sold the family silver, the Government seems now to be intent on selling the family legacy of good health and security. Ministers should tell us clearly what their plans are."

Mr Sackville conceded that a number of American firms were keen to "get a foothold" in Britain, but insisted that private provision would not affect people's rights to free health care.

Salick, one of several American firms that have set up offices in Britain, plans further meetings with some of Britain's leading hospitals, including the Royal Marsden and Christie cancer hospitals.

The company would not comment yesterday on its meetings with the minister, but Mr Sackville said: "I explained the reformed NHS to them, and said that while we are encouraging the NHS to co-operate with the independent sector of health care, we as a Department remained strictly neutral in the negotiating process. It is for NHS trusts or GP fundholders to negotiate their own partnership deals."

Academics and doctors have expressed concern over hospitals engaging services from companies in the United States where, with private insurance premiums high, medical costs have spiralled.

Railtrack accused of bully tactics as two-day strike bites

BY TIM JONES, TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

AS THOUSANDS of commuters bear the brunt today of the 48-hour rail strike that started at midnight, the two sides in the increasingly bitter dispute appear further apart than ever. There are no plans for talks and another 24-hour stoppage is planned from noon on August 22.

Jimmy Knapp, leader of the striking signalmen, accused Railtrack of harassment and bullying. His outburst was triggered by an £80,000 Railtrack newspaper advertising campaign calling for across-the-table talks with the words: "For the sake of the railways — let's put an end to this madness."

While Railtrack officials continue to call for negotiations, officials have confirmed they are drawing up individual contracts to be offered to the 3,600 striking RMT members. Industry sources say these will include an enhanced pay offer and an improvement in employment conditions in return for erosion of collective bargaining.

The Railtrack advertisements claim its offer to the signalmen would mean an average of 7.2 per cent on earnings between April and October this year and a final agreement that gives increases of up to 10 per cent on earnings and improved holidays and sick pay.

Railtrack also says that up to £50 million in signalmen's pension benefits could be lost and describes the union action as "the most callous attack on the railways, affecting work and leisure travel, jeopardising business and cutting savagely into our investment funds".

Mr Knapp said: "Personal contracts mean a worsening of conditions as Railtrack's restructuring package shows. It is also an invitation for Railtrack to continue their campaign of harassment and bullying. The only answer to bullies is to stand up to them. I am confident my members will continue to do so."

Mr Knapp said Railtrack's offer meant average earnings would increase by less than 4 per cent, which would commit signalling staff to compulsory working on Sundays, 12-hour shifts and lower levels of compensation for working unsocial hours.

Union determination to achieve a settlement of at least 5.7 per cent on basic rates before agreeing to discuss any restructuring proposals was strengthened by a MORI poll for a national newspaper which showed the signalmen had the backing of 56 per cent of the public.

Brian Mawhinney, the Transport Secretary, although officially at arm's length from the dispute, which is now one of the longest industrial conflicts since the miners' strike ten years ago, has postponed his plans for a foreign holiday.

Government ministers are concerned that the strikes and disruption will further damage plans for the privatisation of British Rail.

Dr Mawhinney is believed to be determined to "tough it out" and does not want to risk being out of the country while the travelling public endures more misery and hardship.

Among the services British Rail is hoping to run during the strike are:

InterCity Great Western: services between London Paddington and Bristol, Plymouth, Cardiff, Swansea, Cheltenham and Worcester. Also trains between Paddington and Exeter St Davids, serving Castle Cary, Westbury and Pewsey, and Newbury.

InterCity East Coast: Doncaster to York and Edinburgh but, unlike on other strike days, there will be no services between London King's Cross and Peterborough.

InterCity Anglia: London Liverpool Street to Ipswich and Norwich; Ipswich to Lowestoft.

Regional Railways North East: Doncaster-Sheffield, York-Leeds, Leeds-Ilkley, Leeds-Shipley, Leeds-Doncaster, Bradford Forster Square-Ilkley, Hebden Bridge-Bradford Interchange-Leeds, Doncaster to Scunthorpe. Also service from York to Newcastle. Local service between Newcastle and Berwick-upon-Tweed, and trains from Hull to Bridlington.

ScotRail: Glasgow to Edinburgh via Falkirk High; Edinburgh to North Berwick; Edinburgh-Bathgate; Edinburgh-Fife Circle; Glasgow-Greenock West; Glasgow to Ayr, Largs, Ardrossan and Wemyss Bay; Glasgow to Motherwell via Bellshill; Glasgow to Motherwell via Hamilton; Glasgow to Whifflet, Coatbridge to Lanark; Glasgow to Paisley Canal; Inverness to Wick and Thurso and Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh.

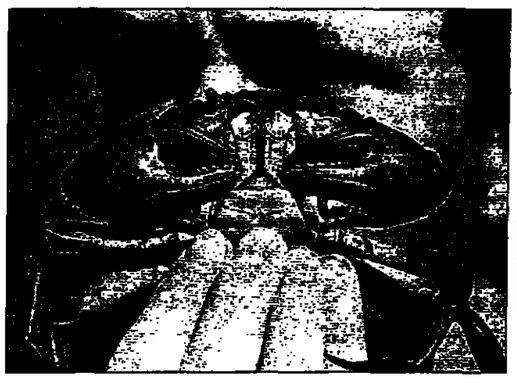
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ADRIAN BROOKS



Youngsters casting their lines in hope of a winning catch at the annual British Open Crabbing Championship at Walberswick, Suffolk, yesterday, which attracted more than 500 contestants. Colin Taylor, right, plucked this impressive crab from the creeks but the eventual winner was Christopher Larkin, 15, of Bury St Edmunds. His 4oz crab was lured from the waters with squid. Entrants had 90 minutes to catch the heaviest crustacean but were banned from using nets or hooks and fined £10 if they fell into the water.



Driver of runaway train in crash may be charged

BY OUR TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

THE driver in charge of an unmanned locomotive that ran for a mile before colliding with an InterCity express, injuring 59 people, may face prosecution.

Crash investigators are considering whether to pass on details of the accident, involving a train carrying 200 passengers from Cornwall to Edinburgh, to the Procurator Fiscal. The unnamed driver has been suspended. The crash occurred just outside Edinburgh on Saturday evening as the express slowed down approaching Waverley station. The unmanned engine had travelled about a mile from the station before the collison.

The express driver was trapped in his cab for an hour and suffered serious injuries. Six other people were taken to hospital.

Whitehall's hi-tech spending

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748,000 in 1976 to 554,212 in 1993, largely as a result of transfers to the private sector. But recent manpower reductions have been less impressive. Between 1989 and 1993, for instance, it fell by 15,000.

Had the private sector experience been duplicated by the public sector, Mr Roddam insists that the number of civil servants would have fallen by 100,000 since 1990.

Responding to Mr Roddam's criticisms, the Trade and Industry official responsible for information technology said that central government staff reductions could not be as great as the private sector because "the official record of the civil service is still paper-based". Whitehall does not keep information "exclusively on disc", he said.

The pace of civil service job losses is expected to pick up. As part of the Government's commitment to prune Whitehall spending, more civil service jobs will be exposed to private sector competition over the next few years.

Charles Cochrane, the assistant secretary of the Council of Civil Service Unions, the body which represents the eight civil service unions, said: "People who claim that information technology has not reduced civil service numbers simply do not understand the statistics. The civil service is doing almost the same volume of work in the 1990s as it was in the 1970s with 200,000 fewer people."

Cathedrals look to 21st century

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would be better to have appointments for periods of years without a freehold. There should be more interchange between cathedrals. The days when canons were scholars, doing little else, are over."

The commission is expected to recommend greater involvement of lay experts and will examine the role of cathedrals as centres of worship, pilgrimage, tourism and education. It is thought that it might support entrance charges for those cathedrals which are leading tourist attractions, and issue guidelines on how to "price" entry without incurring undue hostility. As long ago as 1988 a Commons select committee recommended that tourists be charged an entrance fee to cathedrals.

The Very Rev Eric Evans, Dean of St Paul's, the first cathedral to publish an annual report, said cathedrals had wanted the commission in the knowledge that the Government, which through English Heritage is giving cathedrals £4 million a year for repairs, "would be bound to insist on greater accountability".

But he added: "We do not mind being financially accountable. It is right that we should be. My fear is that someone is going to suggest some kind of quango to which deans and canons have to be answerable."

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Lib Dems to target taxation

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY
POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

RADICAL tax plans, including raising funding for health care out of tobacco and alcohol taxes, will be unveiled by the Liberal Democrats tomorrow.

Challenging Tony Blair to declare Labour's hand on tax, Paddy Ashdown's party will spell out how much more money it would channel into core services.

The Liberal Democrat's tax package will be based on "earmarking" specific taxes to fund particular services.

Malcolm Bruce, who is to lead the party's economic team into the next election, will also reveal details of plans to channel road and motor taxes into transport schemes.

The party will also unveil its plans to specify how National Insurance will fund government projects and underpin the party's commitment to state pensions and unemployment benefits.



Bruce: leading his party's economics team

The plans are seen by the party as crucial in raising its profile on an issue the two main parties have failed to claim as their own.

Tomorrow's document will open the way for a series of economic papers aimed at strengthening the party's claims to be a credible force on important domestic issues. Although the proposals will not be costed until nearer the next general election, party leaders say they will crystallise the policy on which Liberal Democrats will fight the election.

Taxation is seen by the party as being crucial to its success, especially when the Conservative party is divided over whether to reduce taxes in the November budget.

The leadership was encouraged by public response to its 1992 manifesto commitment to raise tax by 1p to improve the education service.

The issue of earmarked taxation has been rejected by Tory ministers but Labour has said it will wait until an internal review has been completed before it states its plans.

Adams gives no hint of end to violence

Thousands of republicans marched through Belfast and Londonderry yesterday as Sinn Fein marked the twenty-fifth anniversary of the deployment of British troops in Northern Ireland. Cheering crowds heard hard-line speeches from Gerry Adams and Martin McGuinness, the Sinn Fein leaders, who said that the republicans had defeated the British Army.

In a speech at Belfast City Hall Mr Adams denounced the Government for supporting Unionists but said he was confident that he would preside over the final phase of Britain's involvement in Ireland. He said he wanted to see an end to conflict, but gave a warning of more violence until republicans won concessions.

☐ Members of the Ulster Freedom Fighters tortured and shot dead a Catholic man in Belfast yesterday. Sean Monaghan, 20, a father of two from the Lower Falls area, was found bound and gagged in the Loyalist Shankill area just after 2am. He had been shot in the head. A police source said: "What this young man went through was horrendous."

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Falklands row looms

Argentinian gunboats would police British fish stocks off the Falkland Islands under proposals from the Government today. The suggestion will be made at a meeting of the United Nations in New York on conservation of the world's dwindling fish stocks. Britain, which represents a string of dependent island territories, wants regional agreements to thwart poachers operating at the edges of territorial waters. In the Falklands this would involve the Argentinian navy, provoking condemnation from the islanders.

Therapy visit 'worked'

The young offender accused of stealing goods worth thousands of pounds at a CenterParcs holiday village where he was sent for a therapeutic visit is said to have responded well to the treatment. The teenager also spent two weeks at a luxury barn at Great Ashfield, Suffolk, and six days at a hotel in Margate, Kent, where he was allegedly caught trying to steal a charity box. Last night the Harisdene Trust, which sent him on the breaks, said: "He responded well to this more secluded and unpressured environment."

New railway sell-off

A complete working light railway and adjoining museum is expected to fetch £60,000 when it is sold at auction this month. The Links light railway at Burgh-les-Marsh, near Skegness, is a major summer tourist attraction and consists of three locomotives, coaches, wagons, a station and a thousand yards of track. Also being sold are 650 lots of railway antiques, clocks, and station fittings. An auction spokesman said the owner had decided to sell up after the death of his wife. The sale is on August 28.

Double death inquiry

A man was found dead in a police cell shortly after being arrested after the death of a woman, 20, at a New Age travellers' camp near Winchester. The woman's body was found on Saturday evening and later police arrested a man aged 27 who had admitted himself to Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester. He was found dead in a cell at North Walls police station five hours later. Police are awaiting the results of a post-mortem examination of the woman. An inquiry has been launched into the man's death.

Note clue to hideout



The suicide note of a drifter found hanged at Brampton, Cambridgeshire, a week ago is believed to have led police to a hideout close to where waitress Sandra Parkinson, 33, right, was raped and murdered at Salcombe, Devon. The man, who will be named once police get the results of DNA tests today, was a suspect in the case. Police are not linking Miss Parkinson's death to any murders in the Midlands.

May Day apologies

The Department of Employment admitted yesterday that it had failed to publicise adequately a change to next year's May Bank holiday. Usually the first Monday of the month, it will be a week later on May 8 to coincide with fiftieth anniversary of VE Day. Publishers are reported to have printed millions of diaries and calendars with the wrong date.

Former PC to sue force

A former policeman is to sue Northumbria Police Authority after being severely injured when a brick smashed through the windscreen of his patrol car as he pursued a stolen vehicle. PC John Robinson, 38, was left with brain damage and had to retire his job. Northumbria Police subsequently replaced the windscreens in its vehicles with toughened glass.

Concorde cracks 'safe'

British Airways said yesterday that hairline cracks found in the wings of seven Concordes posed no danger to passengers. A spokesman said the cracks on two aircraft had been repaired and the others would be repaired one by one. The Civil Aviation Authority has allowed them to remain in service as long as they are checked after every ten flights.

BEIJING CORRESPONDENTS

The South China Morning Post, Asia's premier English language newspaper, will recruit two correspondents to fill its Beijing post in the near future.

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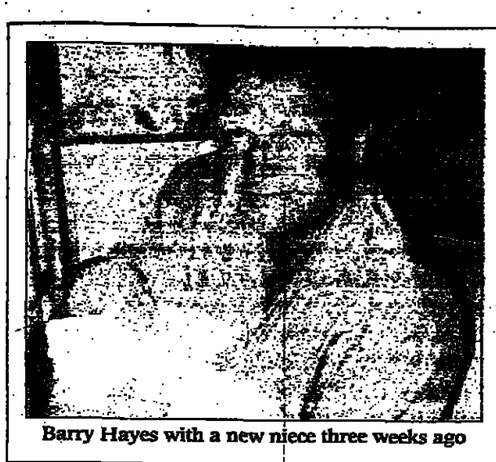
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Barry Hayes with a new niece three weeks ago

Revenge attack maims vandals' victim in car park

By Catherine Milton

A MAN who accused two boys of vandalising his car is seriously ill in hospital after a revenge attack. Barry Hayes, 49, has lost the sight of one eye, has a fractured skull, a double fracture of the jaw and multiple fractures of the face.

Mr Hayes was attacked after he tackled the boys for trying to rip the badge off the boot of his BMW in the car park of the Heath Hotel at Garston, Liverpool. His brother Carl Hayes said he had still been smarting from the loss of the bonnet badge two weeks earlier.

Minutes after the boys had run off, a sky blue Vauxhall Cavalier pulled into the pub car park. One of the boys is thought to have been in the back.

The driver got out, launched himself at Mr Hayes, repeatedly kicking and punching him "like a football" in front of the child, apparently in revenge for frightening the two suspected vandals.

He was seriously ill in Walton Hospital, Liverpool, where he was being kept alive on a ventilator after undergoing a throat operation to enable him to breathe.

Carl Hayes, a 29-year-old butcher, said last night that his brother, a builder who is married with two adult children and who suffered from rheumatoid arthritis, was a kind and helpful man. He was proud of the first BMW he had owned.

"Without sounding as if I am blowing his trumpet, my brother is a helpful man. When the wind blew down some neighbours' fences, he put them back up. My wife and I have recently bought a house and he has done so much for us."

He added: "Now he will never drive again and is unlikely to be able to go on with his hobby of making grandfather clocks. We just hope this animal who attacked him is caught.

"We are an ordinary family and we are just devastated. His wife and children, my wife and children, we are just totally devastated. And we are doing everything we can to help the police."

Detective Inspector Noel Wright, of Garston police, said: "It was a brutal and sickening attack. It was very violent and sustained. Mr Hayes was kicked and punched repeatedly and basically used as a football on the car park."

Nicola Dean, relief manager at the Heath Hotel, said that Mr Hayes was a regular at the pub where he was popular with the clientele. "We are all completely stunned and shocked. This is a very friendly, happy pub. It is just something quite out of the ordinary. We hope that he pulls through."

Mr Hayes's attacker is described as white, aged 30 to 35, about 5ft 8in tall and with very short dark hair. He was wearing a white T-shirt and blue jeans. Police believe he may live near the pub. They are appealing for witnesses to the attack and believe the two boys may have spoken to someone about it, especially the boy who witnessed it.

Inspector Wright said: "For a 10 or 12-year-old child to have witnessed something as violent as this, it is obviously going to shock them and they are not going to be able to keep quiet about it."

Holiday pictures may hold clues to seaside bombers

By Richard Duce

HOLIDAY photographs could trap the IRA bicycle bombers who launched two weekend attacks on South Coast resorts, police said yesterday.

The bombs, marking yet another shift in tactics by terrorists operating on the mainland and timed to coincide with the 25th anniversary of the deployment of troops in Northern Ireland, were on two blue mountain bikes.

Police said it was a miracle that no was killed or seriously injured when the first bomb exploded in the centre of Bognor Regis, West Sussex, shortly before 6pm on Saturday. The second, on the forecourt of the Palace Pier at Brighton, was made safe by a controlled explosion. No one was hurt by the blasts.

Holidaymakers may have captured the cycles being left by terrorists in the background of their photographs or videos. Police will also study security videos from shops in Bognor. The cycles were daubed with white numbers, which could help to trace where they came from.

Sergeant Mike Alderson of Sussex Police said: "We want everyone who took any pictures or holiday videos near the bomb sites in the past few weeks to bring them in to us, no matter how silly they may be. Someone may have unwittingly taken a snapshot of the person or people who planted these bombs."

The attacks confirmed the fears of security forces that the IRA was planning a bombing campaign against so-called soft targets on the South Coast. Bicycle bombs have been used before in Northern Ireland, but the attacks are thought to be the first time such a tactic has been adopted on the mainland.

This year's Tory Party conference is to be held in Bournemouth and police were already on alert after a bag stolen from a Bournemouth-bound train was found to contain a large quantity of explosives and bomb-making equipment. A year to the day before the latest bombs, the IRA planted six incendiary devices in Bournemouth shops and blew a small hole in the pier.

A big clearing-up operation was under way in Bognor yesterday. Fifteen shops were wrecked by a bomb left outside Woolworths in the main pedestrian precinct. There were telephone warnings of the attacks but no specific locations were given.

Richard Childs, Assistant Chief Constable of Sussex, would not give precise details about the make-up of the bombs. He said: "Yet again, the IRA have launched an indiscriminate attack on ordinary people going about their normal business, with no concern for the consequences of their actions. It is now obvious we are in the middle of an IRA mainland campaign."

The Townsend Oregon mountain bike used in Bognor was locked to a cycle rack. It had the numbers 20-2 written in white Tippex-like fluid on part of the frame leading from the handlebars to the front forks. On the D-lock, used to secure the cycle, 26 was written in the same fluid.

After the Bognor explosion and a non-specific warning that a bomb had been left at Brighton, police closed the Palace Pier and found the second cycle with its explosive device. The French-made Gitane Bullet bike was chained to railings at the entrance to the pier, secured by a D-lock which had 16 written on it white.

Bomb disposal experts also carried out a controlled explosion on a suspect sandwich box, found beneath the west side of the Palace Pier.

The piers at Brighton and Bognor remained sealed off yesterday and anti-terrorist officers from Scotland Yard, working amid the din of security alarms, made a fingertip search of debris left by the blast in Bognor.

Mr Childs said: "I am extremely keen to trace the origins of these bikes and appeal to anyone who has information and recognises the significance of these particular markings to get in touch."

Sergeant Alderson said: "Serial numbers on the bikes and on the locks used to chain them up are similar to those that would be issued by bicycle hire companies.

"The bikes would not necessarily have been ridden here: they could have been hired anywhere in the country, rigged up and then brought to the targets by car, bus or train."

Marcus Halsey, 35, who works at an optician in Bognor, said: "There was a massive bang and flash and the shop started to come in. The upstairs is devastated, and if I had been there cashing up I don't think I would be here now."

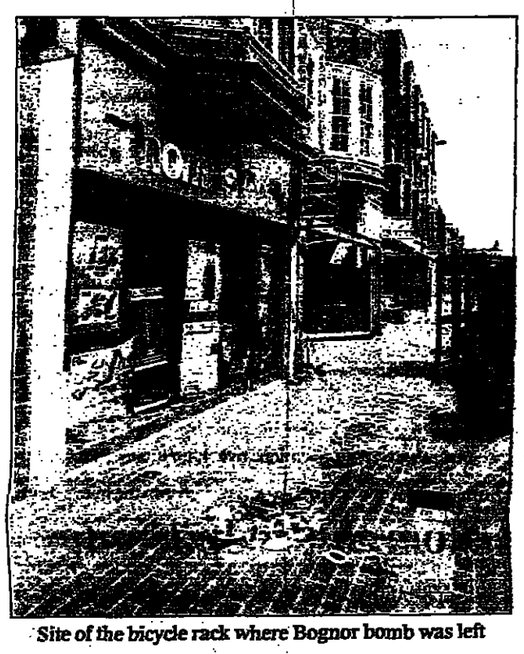
Another witness, Ian Thompson, 46, said: "I saw one man shield a little boy outside Boots. We just wondered what the hell was happening. The first thing you think of is a bomb but then you think who would want to plant a bomb in Bognor Regis?"

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JAMES MORGAN



Forensic experts in Bognor preparing to take the mountain bike away for tests. It carried distinctive numbers on the frame and lock



Site of the bicycle rack where Bognor bomb was left

The campaign on mainland Britain

THE IRA has attacked a number of "prestige targets" during its 21-year campaign on mainland Britain (Nicholas Wood writes).

The terrorists believe that killing civilians and harming the economy will force public opinion to put pressure on the Government to rid itself of the Irish problem.

The Provisionals launched their mainland campaign on March 8, 1973, with car bomb attacks at the Old Bailey and the Ministry of Agriculture in which one person was killed and 180 injured.

The other main attacks have been:

February 4, 1974: Nine soldiers and three civilians killed by bomb on army coach on M62 in Yorkshire.

October and November 1974: 28 people killed in bomb attacks on pubs in Guildford, Woolwich and Birmingham.

October 10, 1981: Two civilians killed in bomb attack on Chelsea barracks.

July 20, 1982: 11 soldiers killed by bombs in Hyde Park. Seven army horses also killed.

December 17,1983: Six people killed in Harrods bombing.

October 12, 1984: Five people killed in bomb attack on the Grand Hotel, Brighton.

September 22, 1989: Eleven bandsmen killed by bomb at the Royal Marines' School, Deal, Kent.

April 10, 1992: Three civilians killed by bomb at the Baltic Exchange in the City.

March 20, 1993: Two boys killed in bomb attack in Warrington.

April 24, 1993: Photographer killed in bomb attack in Bishopsgate, City of London.

Women's golf tournament drives out of the rough

By Robin Young

WOMEN playing round the Heritage course at the London Golf Club yesterday were incensed that Jack Nicklaus, the course's architect, reportedly considered his creation "too tough" for their sex.

Next year's Ford Classic women's golf tournament is to be moved from the Heritage Course, despite Nicklaus denying he said the course was unsuitable for women.

Masao Nagahara, the London Golf Club's Japanese president and owner, had initially welcomed the women's tournament. He was quoted in the the press release announcing the fixture, saying: "My wife and two daughters are keen golfers so women's golf has always been near to my heart."

Then, the tournament organisers believe, Mr Nagahara talked about the arrangement with Nicklaus, his club's honorary captain, who drove the idea into the rough. "I didn't design the course for women," it is claimed Nicklaus said. "It is too tough."

Unlike many UK golf clubs, the London Golf Club offers women the same privileges as men for their £25,875 membership. There are five tees at each hole, a concept that Nicklaus and Mr Nagahara say enables players "of all standards" to enjoy a round.

Ford were offered the club's second — and some say less daunting — course, the International, for their event, but refused, deciding that the event would instead be held at Chart Hills, Kent, designed by Nick Faldo.

Laura Davies, the Briton who is the world's number one in the women's game, offered to play round the Heritage course's plenitude of bunkers and water obstacles in a head-to-head contest with Nicklaus. "I am dismayed that such a great champion should look down on the women's game so badly," she said.

Struggling to replace the divots, Mr Nicklaus claimed: "I never said the course was unsuitable for women. In my opinion it is right for a men's European event, a senior championship, and equally so for a women's professional tournament. The London Club is looking for recognition and with that in mind a men's regular tour event would obviously have the most appeal."

Mr Nagahara issued a statement yesterday exonerating Mr Nicklaus. He had himself suggested the "equally challenging" International course, Mr Nagahara claimed, only because he thought there might have been a coinciding men's tournament on the Heritage course.

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'Princess TV special' dismissed

By Alan Hamilton

BUCKINGHAM Palace yesterday expressed weary ignorance of a report that the Princess of Wales has been in secret negotiation with Walter Cronkite to make a sympathetic documentary on the breakdown of her marriage.

The retired American broadcaster, 74, speaking from his home in Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, denied any contact with the Princess whatsoever, let alone any intention to make a programme about her.

The Princess had been reported in *The Mail on Sunday* to be seeking revenge for Jonathan Dimbleby's well-received ITV documentary shown in June, in which the Prince of Wales attracted a degree of public sympathy for his admission of an affair.

Guppy wife to be questioned in hunt for missing millions

By Jon Ashworth

THE wife of Darius Guppy, the Old Etonian jailed for faking a Manhattan jewels robbery, is to be questioned in an attempt to trace up to £4 million in missing funds.

Guppy, who is serving a five-year prison sentence for fraud, filed for bankruptcy two months ago. John Alexander, chairman of corporate recovery of Pannell Kerr Forster, the accountancy firm, has been appointed trustee in bankruptcy, giving him the power to interview anyone who may be able to assist in tracing missing funds.

Mr Alexander is particularly keen to trace the whereabouts of "Mr X", a Middle Eastern businessman with whom Guppy claims to have placed assets for safe keeping.

Guppy's wife Patricia is likely to be among the first to be interviewed. Mr Alexander said: "I have wide-ranging powers under the Insolvency Act 1986 which I shall exercise without hesitation where I think it appropriate. My priority will be to investigate Mr Guppy's financial affairs throroughly, including an account of his assets at the time of his bankruptcy."

Guppy and his business partner, Benedict Marsh, were jailed last year for conspiracy to defraud, steal and commit false accounting and VAT offences. The case stemmed from a fake jewels robbery staged by the pair in a New York hotel room. Lloyd's of London subsequently paid £1.8 million in compensation. They later recovered the "stolen" jewels and devised further fictitious deals to enable them to keep the proceeds and the jewels.

It is thought that up to £4 million in assets remains outstanding.



Darius Guppy: given five years for fraud



Patricia Guppy: inquiry into husband's assets

Family can rise above sightseers

By Catherine Milton

A FAMILY have been driven from their underground home by sightseers who turned the bolt hole into a goldfish bowl.

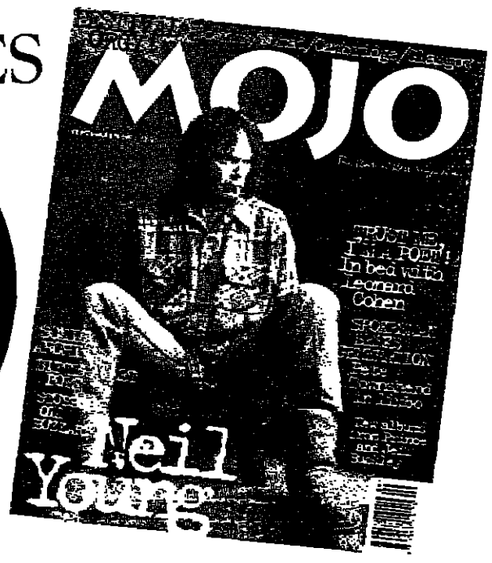
Stuart Bexon built the house, called Mole Manor, seven years ago after he was denied permission for a conventional building on a rural site at Westonbirt, Gloucestershire.

But he and his family became tired of the many visitors who wanted to see their unusual home, which has only nine domes above ground to let in light, and also found the open-plan style unsuitable for family life. They have sold it for £250,000 and gone into "hiding" in an ordinary townhouse. Mr Bexon, 50, a marketing consultant, said: "It's like living in a goldfish bowl."

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Scientists find gene to boost crops in shade

BY NICK NUTTALL, TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH scientists have genetically engineered plants that produce good harvests in the shade.

The breakthrough, made by a team at Leicester University, stops plants competing with each other for light so that they put more effort into producing seeds, fruit, leaves and roots.

The achievement is expected to transform agriculture by allowing farmers to pack together crops more tightly, increasing the productivity of fields.

Professor Harry Smith, of the university's botany department, said: "A greater proportion of what a farmer plants will reach its full potential, be it grain, tubers or whatever. We cannot put a figure on this at the moment but even if it is just a few per cent nationally or globally it is a big deal."

Plants suffer straggly growth, which in turn leads to poorer crops, because of a phenomenon known as the shade avoidance response, which is caused by shading from neighbouring plants. Shading from woodland can be detected by a field of wheat 50 yards away.

Instead of putting effort into producing crops, the plants concentrate on stem growth to become taller and thus gather more light.

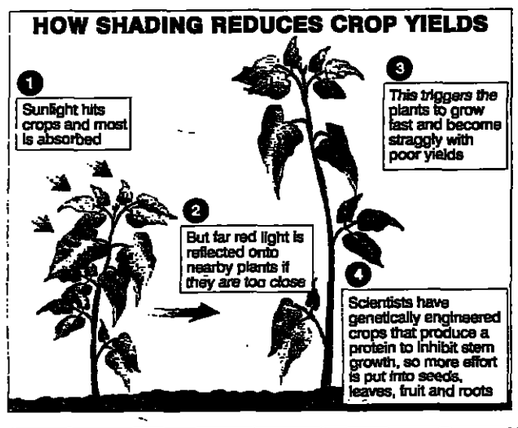
Professor Smith said: "You can see the phenomenon in any roadside verge where you have lots of grasses and other plants competing in a very dense community for the light resource. If you look at rose bay willow herb, it is always very long where plants are close together but when wide apart they are quite short."

Researchers have linked the shade avoidance response with a wavelength of light called far red. Plants absorb most wavelengths of light using the green leaf pigment chlorophyll, which in turn produces sugars. But the far red, which is not visible to the human eye, is reflected and hits neighbouring plants, triggering the production of a protein called phytochrome B. The protein tells the plant to concentrate on growing stem rather than leaves, roots or fruit.

The Leicester team has found a gene in oats that overcomes the response. It produces a closely related protein called phytochrome A, which inhibits straggly stem growth in the presence of the light reflected from neighbours.

In oats the gene is suppressed by other genes. But the scientists have developed a way of overriding this so it is permanently switched on.

Professor Smith, whose research is being funded by the European Commission and the Government's Biotechnology and Biological Science Research Council, said yesterday that tests with tobacco plants indicated that the shade avoidance gene was working. "We have some fine-tuning to do but I am confident, it is definitely working," he said.



JULIAN HERBERT



More than a hundred hearses and funeral limousines past and present were on display at an exhibition held at the Beaulieu Motor Museum in Hampshire yesterday by the British Institute of Funeral Directors. Visitors to the rally were given the chance to test-drive the latest models

Power companies told to bury lines

BY OUR ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

ELECTRICITY companies are being urged to spend some of their huge profits on improving the landscape by putting unsightly overhead lines underground.

The Countryside Commission claims that much of the nation's power cable network needs replacing anyway, and that it costs little more to bury certain types of line than to string them across mountains, fields and villages. Dr Roger Clarke, head of policy at the commission, said yesterday: "Many rural lines were installed in the 1940s and 1950s when lines were put in with little regard for their visual impact. Many of these lines are due for renewal. Now is the time to bury or screen them."

The commission is urging the Office of Electricity Regulation (Offer) to make power cable improvement part of each electricity company's operating licence.

It believes that wirescape improvement programmes should include the low voltage lines traditionally mounted on wooden poles as well as the big steel pylon cables. Unsightly power cables in Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, national parks, heritage coasts and conservation areas should be tackled first, it says.

It is also calling for a moratorium on big electricity developments in areas such as the Norfolk Broads and the New Forest unless there is no other feasible location.

☐ Thousands of roadside trees that screen urban homes from traffic are dying because of disruption to roots during the laying of television cable, according to tree officers and environmental campaigners including David Bellamy and Geoff Hamilton of BBC2's *Gardeners' World*. They are calling for tighter controls on companies.

The cable television industry has dismissed the claims and says it is committed to protecting street trees, but critics say that many oaks, limes, London planes and sycamores will be dead in five years unless action is taken.

Zoo's rare tortoises stolen

BY A STAFF REPORTER

FOUR rare White tortoises have been stolen from Bristol Zoo, theatening its breeding programme and putting in jeopardy the future of the species in Britain.

The zoo owns the only five of their species in Britain. They were brought to Bristol from Algeria and although they look identical to the more common European tortoises it is feared that the Whites may become infected if they are brought into contact with their more common cousins.

Duncan Bolton, the zoo's scientific officer, said the two breeding pairs that were stolen were probably between 40 and 50 years old. "As far as we are concerned, the tortoises are priceless," he said.

"They don't look very different from the pet tortoises most people have, and I suspect that the thieves don't know they are Whites and just how special they are."

Duke marks fifty years of liberation

BY A STAFF REPORTER

THE Duke of York visited France yesterday to take part in ceremonies marking the fiftieth anniversary of the liberation of Provence.

Several thousand British troops took part in Operation Dragoon, when Allied forces launched a huge air and seaborne assault on the coast of the French Riviera.

The successful attack played an important part in driving the German occupying forces from France. The Duke represented the Queen at a naval review, which was also attended by President Mitterrand and other heads of state, on board a French aircraft carrier.



The Duke watched naval review with President

Today there will be a parachute drop by the Red Devils display team at La Motte followed by a fly-past and a commemorative ceremony at Dramont.

In early September the Duke will take part in events in Belgium commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the liberation of that country.

☐ The voice of General de Gaulle will ring out again over Paris later this month as the climax of a festival marking the fiftieth anniversary of the end of Nazi occupation.

A recording of his speech announcing the city's liberation will be played at the Place Hotel de Ville on August 25, followed by a spectacular firework display over the Seine.

Earlier in the evening more than 50 vintage vehicles will take part in a procession illustrating scenes from the resistance.

Double murder charge

A 28-year-old man will appear before magistrates in Bournemouth today charged with the murder of two men found strangled in the town.

One of the victims has been identified as David Palmer, 28, from Poole. Police have appealed for help in identifying the second man, who is white and aged between 35 and 50.

The men were found dead at a flat in the Triangle area of central Bournemouth on Friday afternoon.

Shotgun attack

Detectives are waiting to interview Samuel Sewell, 21, who was shot in the face on the Bransholme estate in Hull. Two men and a woman are helping police with their inquiries.

Fraudster flees

John Billington, 45, serving a four-year jail sentence for a £10 million bogus investment fraud, has absconded from Leyhill open prison in Gloucestershire.

Model fan

Paul Singer, a Manchester United fan from Wilmslow, Cheshire, has used 15,000 matchsticks to create a model of the team's Old Trafford stadium.

Jellyfish peril

Jellyfish have been blamed for causing blisters to swimmers in Skegness, Lincolshire. East Lindsey District Council has denied that chemicals were responsible.

Boy found dead

Police are investigating the death of a 12-year-old boy whose body was found by his father in a field near Badsey, Hereford and Worcester.

Climber killed

David Walker, 29, a computer consultant from Godalming, Surrey, died after falling from a ridge in the Cuillins on the Isle of Skye. Another climber was injured.

Petrol bomb

A kebab shop in Pennywell Court, Edinburgh, has been destroyed by a petrol bomb thrown by a masked man.

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PEACE OF MIND, AROUND THE CLOCK.

Freak shows prompt call for censorship from councillor

Fringe goes beyond the pale in battle for audience

BY DALYA ALBERGE, ARTS CORRESPONDENT

SHOWS at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe have become so depraved that there have been calls for censorship.

While the Fringe has always set out to outrage audiences, past efforts look timid compared with some of the wilder excesses among this year's performances.

Moira Knox, a local Conservative councillor who is pressing for censorship, has criticised the Jim Rose Circus Sideshow, a freak show from the United States that involves a man dangling an iron from his pierced genitals; and the Tokyo Shock Boys from Japan, whose specialities include passing wind into a lighter-flame. Another act features a man who places a live wriggling scorpion in his mouth.

The anarchic shows seem even more incongruous in elegant settings such as the 18th-century Assembly Rooms.

Saturday night's audiences — mostly ordinary young people in jeans and T-shirts — shrieked with delight at these attractions. The more gruesome, the more they applauded, willing the actors to go one step further.

However, David Ball, a student from London, felt that the Fringe had lost its innocence. Mr Ball said that these shows were just as disturbing as people centuries ago finding entertainment in watching the mentally and physically deformed inmates of Bedlam.

Mrs Knox has called for council officials to monitor the quality of productions and remove performing licences from those that are offensive. She added that innovation — which made the Fringe so special in its early days, with talents such as Derek Jacobi appearing — has gone.

Rose laughed off criticism, describing his circus as a freak show with "Monsters of Danger" and "Women of Wonder". The show kept the audience on the edge of their seats and no one got hurt, he said. "We're professionals."

Rose's own act involved putting his face into a heap of broken glass and persuading a member of the audience to stand on his head. Seconds before, he picked out a piece of crumpled paper from the glass. "Why do you laugh?" he asked. "Paper cuts are the worst." He then became a human dartboard, doubling up with his wife, whose own act involved lying topless on a bed of nails. She was a good shot, getting all three darts into his back.

Samurai swords were among the props used by the Tokyo Shock Boys, whose publicity describes them as a Samurai version of the Three Stooges. One player brought down a sword on to a watermelon balancing on the stomach of another player. It sliced only the flesh of the melon. However, Daniel Johnson, a producer who brought them over after their sell-out success in Melbourne, said that their bodies were scarred.

The act that made the patrons wince the most was one involving a performer putting a wriggling scorpion in his mouth. He first dangled it on a string along the front row audience. They wriggled as much as the scorpion.

Rose said that Mrs Knox likened him to the Devil: "I'm worse than the Devil because the Devil isn't real." He added that politicians should not be dictating what people should see, but concentraing on issues such as housing and unemployment. Mr Johnson said that Mrs Knox was the best publicist anyone could wish to find.

Hilary Strong, director of the Fringe Festival, said that she would not want to interfere with programmes. The Fringe had always been designed to give everyone a chance to be seen.

In the meantime, being sensational will sell tickets — judging from the number of companies promising nudity, foul language or excluding children from the audience. One has a billing of "sexual depravity". Another puts it more cheekily: "A show saucier than a coachload of ketchup. For adults only." As far as Mrs Knox is concerned, there is no accounting for taste.

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PETER SANDGROUND



One of the Tokyo Shock Boys performs his scorpion stunt in Edinburgh

University uses reggae beat to woo students

BY BEN PRESTON
EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

WOODSTOCK veterans would have winced. Sandwiched between UB40 and Jamiroquai, some 60,000 reggae-lovers were treated to the first commercial for a university to be shown at a rock festival.

A £500,000 advertising campaign to lure students to De Montfort University this autumn opened started on giant stage-side screens at the Milton Keynes Bowl on Saturday. Rather than "tune in, turn off, drop out", the message of the commercial is that studying at what used to be Leicester Polytechnic is "preparation for life".

Few marketing tricks will be overlooked left unturned this summer as universities and colleges fight for students. The publication of A-levels results on Thursday is the starting pistol for vice-chancellors competing to fill places.

Sixth-formers licking their wounds in front of the television after disappointing A-level grades are being sought on the South Coast. Within hours of results being posted, a television commercial showing scenes of student life at the Southampton Institute will be broadcast during the popular Australian soap *Home and Away*.

The institute has bought 18 slots on its local ITV station, Meridian, using the slogan: "Get a life. Not just a degree."

De Montfort's commercial draws on footage from the BBC's *Trials of Life* wildlife series in which seals avoid the attack of a killer whale. Its theme is that a degree from De Montfort will equip school-leavers for survival.

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Drivers under 50 drink more often

BY KEVIN EASON, MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

MORE than 700,000 drivers aged under 50 regularly drink and drive, according to a survey by MORI published today. Researchers discovered that 4 per cent of the under-50 age group surveyed admitted to driving while over the legal alcohol limit.

The MORI poll, for the Direct Line insurance company, was aimed at discovering the habits of Britain's 25 million motorists. It found, as expected, that drivers over 50 were less likely to crash and less likely to commit an offence than younger drivers.

It also uncovered a wide gulf between older and younger drivers, who were seemingly not worried about committing offences. Sixty-seven per cent of under-50s said they regularly exceeded speed limits on normal main roads, compared with 46 per cent among the over-50s. Fifty per cent drove faster than the motorway speed limit; 40 per cent parked illegally; and 23 per cent did not belt up. By contrast, in the over-50 age group 33 per cent exceeded motorway limits; 16 per cent parked illegally; and 14 per cent admitted to driving without a seat belt.

The 4 per cent who admitted to drink-driving is equivalent to 700,000 out of almost 17.5 million drivers in the under-50 age group. Again, the over-50s were more cautious, with 2 per cent — equal to 150,000 — admitting to drink-driving.

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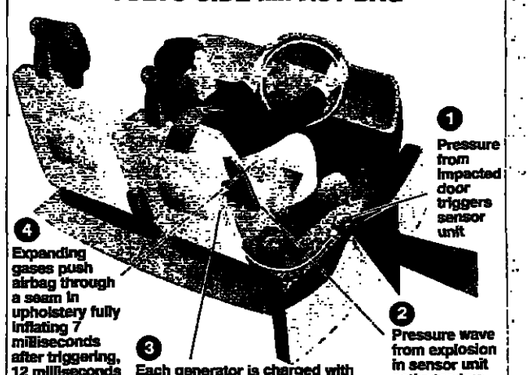
AIRBAGS that explode from car seats to protect drivers and passengers from side-impact crashes go on sale in Britain next month (Kevin Easton writes).

Volvo will be first to offer seat-mounted airbags, which form a cushion against vehicles ploughing into car doors. The move will trigger a rapid response from other carmakers which all rate safety as a big issue with buyers.

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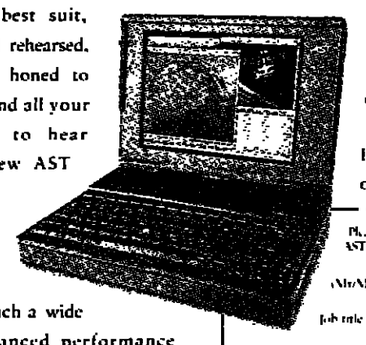
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THE CRISIS IN ENGLAND'S CATHEDRALS — AT THE

Ruth Gledhill and Catherine Milton examine the debate over our cash-starved Anglican cathedrals

ENGLAND'S Anglican cathedrals, ancient symbols in stone of the nation's spirituality, are facing crises of cash and confidence as the millennium approaches. Many are struggling to preserve medieval masonry against the wear and tear of age, pollution and tourism.

The 43 cathedrals and Westminster Abbey are the spiritual heartbeats of our cities. The daily round of worship and prayer, plus their frequent use for important civic services, are valued reminders of the existence of God and spirituality at a time when secular certainty is losing its confidence.

However, few of the millions of tourists or worshippers who visit them each year seem willing to pay to keep afloat these ancient institutions. Some cathedrals have turned to modern marketing methods to make ends meet. Others are resisting such moves, arguing that they cannot be both spiritual sanctuaries and "religious theme parks".

The crisis came to a head after widely publicised disputes at Hereford, where the chapter had hoped to sell the cathedral's *Mappa Mundi* to raise funds, and at Lincoln, where the bishop, Robert Hardy, held a "visitation" or inquiry after a controversial exhibition of the cathedral's *Magna Carta* in Australia resulted in financial loss.

A commission, requested by cathedral clergy and set up in 1992, will report this autumn on how cathedrals can improve their accountability and customer service.

The commission's remit has been "to examine the future role in Church and Nation of the cathedrals of the Church of England and to make recommendations as to how best that role could be fulfilled, including proposals for government and support".

The 16 commission members have visited 42 cathedrals — Westminster Abbey and the cathedral church of St German on the Isle of Man are excluded — in the first thorough investigation of the cathedral system for many years.

Finances are a particularly vexing problem. The panel, chaired by Lady Howe, chairman of the Broadcasting Standards Council, has examined a prospective deficit of more than £100 million for the 1990s. A 1991 survey estimated cathedrals would need up to £185 million by the end of the decade.

English Heritage is providing £19.5 million over five years to 1996, and estimates a further £4 million a year will be needed after that. Further state aid is thought unlikely. The Church Commissioners, who manage the Church of England's £2.4 billion assets, will next year also cut their annual £5.5 million support.

Thus our Anglican cathedrals have been forced to consider controversial ways of raising funds: to treat with mammon or steal his clothes. Choices include sponsorship deals with large companies such as Nuclear Electric, or charging the estimated 15 million tourists who visit the cathedrals every year and who on average leave only a few pence in voluntary donations. Those cathedrals which have grasped this particular nettle and charge for entry are criticised by visitors who complain that they should not be asked to pay to pray.

They also receive little cooperation from a hostile, material world. At St Paul's in London, where entry is free all day Sunday and on weekdays for prayer and worship, but a £3 charge is made outside service times, some tour operators time their visits to avoid the charge.

Of the ten top abbeys and cathedrals, which include Chester, Winchester and Durham and which between them attract more than 12 million visitors a year, St Paul's is the only one to charge. But it seems only a matter of time before the others follow suit.

At cathedrals such as Bristol, God and mammon have been allied through sponsorship of the choir by Nuclear Electric. The company is paying £25,000 a year over ten years in return for discreet advertising on church programmes, thus helping to avoid an entry charge.

That the impetus for the commission came from the deans and provosts themselves is not surprising. Faced with the need to raise money and with criticism over methods of management and accountability, clergy were merely pre-empting a development they feared would have been imposed anyway. Dr Wesley Carr, Dean of Bristol, said: "We felt that cathedrals were significant in the life of the Church. We wanted an outside body to look at us as a whole. We expect a good, critical yet constructive report."

Bishops, clergy and laity in the Church of England have lobbied the commission intensively for changes to the way Anglican cathedrals are financed and run. Many believe it no longer appropriate that a handful of clerics is left alone to confront the problems.

Cathedrals represent the Church of England at its best, but many remain assets which are poorly exploited. Deans and chapters, who run these epitomes of English eccentricity and establishment, are understandably concerned lest any changes destroy or damage the ancient and, in some respects, fragile institutions.

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How the money will be found



Europeans strive to avoid bickering over next Nato chief

FROM GEORGE BROCK IN BRUSSELS

WESTERN allies yesterday began the search for a successor to Manfred Wörner, the Nato Secretary-General, who died on Saturday after a two-year battle against colonic cancer.

Generous tributes were paid by world leaders to the man who guided the defence alliance into the post-Cold War era when its role became increasingly uncertain.

Barely a month after settling their squabble over who should be President of the European Commission, Europe's governments confront another unwelcome vacancy which they will not find easy to fill and face questions which they have recently found almost impossible to answer.

Herr Wörner died in office, partly because he was a proud and tough man who disliked admitting defeat, but also because Nato's 16 governments had a hard time imagining how they might replace him. Aged 59 at his death, Herr Wörner balanced American and European interests with a deftness which comes most easily to German politicians of a generation which was determined to plant its country in both the Atlantic alliance and the EU.

Strictly speaking, Nato's next Secretary-General must be approved by America. In practice, President Clinton will nod through the man who emerges from secret consultations between European capitals. This Administration has no wish to be caught leaning on European governments which are being asked to take a larger share of defence burdens. Although the decision is for Europe, Nato's officials fervently hope that they can avoid a replay of the public bickering that led to Jacques Santer of Luxembourg being selected as President of the European Commission. "The very last thing we want is the kind of contest in which the good candidates all cancel each other out," one apprehensive Nato official said yesterday.

The stakes are not so high this time. Nato's top civilian wields less power than the President of the European Commission. But the parallels with the earlier squabble are too strong to ignore. The choice will say something about how Nato's big powers see the alliance's future — and the divisions between them are as stark as ever.

Some of the rumoured candidates are names which were in the ring for the last job: former Prime Ministers Ruud Lubbers of The Netherlands and Giuliano Amato of Italy are available. Hans van den Broek and Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, with a decade apiece as the Dutch and Danish Foreign Ministers respectively, seem interested. Applying the Buggins' Turn principle would deliver the job to Norway's safe and cautious Thorvald Stoltenberg.

Herr Wörner's successor must struggle to balance Nato's relationships between the competing claims of Eastern Europe and Russia, find a way of co-operating with the United Nations on peacekeeping and adapt to the EU's ambitions to enter the defence business. This agenda would be intimidating enough without a still bigger difficulty.

America, Canada, Britain, France and Germany have been unable to agree what the greatest threats to peace and security are, or what military force and multilateral institutions might do about them. In the absence of any consensus, defence policy is being formulated by the drift of events and public opinion.

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In the running: Stoltenberg, left, and van den Broek



The Great Wall has been raided by peasants for building materials

China seeks foreign cash to save Wall

FROM JAMES PRINGLE IN PEKING

THE Great Wall of China, built to keep out invaders, is being restored with the help of foreign money.

The Wall, which contrary to popular myth cannot be seen from the Moon, may one day be no longer visible at all, with some parts crumbling and others disappearing.

Emperor Qin Shihaung used hundreds of thousands of slave labourers to construct the defences against Mongols and other potential barbarian invaders of the Middle Kingdom in the 3rd century BC, but the threat to the structure has come mostly from within the country.

A People's Liberation Army (PLA) unit stole two miles of wall in the early 1970s to build their barracks. Local peasants took the hint and began using stone from the Wall to reconstruct their villages. The PLA unit was ordered in 1979 to rebuild the section of wall it plundered, but the peasants' cottages remain.

China has already spent 100 million yuan (£7.8 million), 30 per cent from foreign sources, renovating 16 sections of the 3,750 mile-long wall, which stretches from the coast at Shanhaiguan pass to the Jiayuguan pass in the Gobi desert.

The official *China Daily* said yesterday that the China Great Wall Society will hold a seminar in September including businessmen, government officials, geologists and historians to formulate a long-term renovation plan and in the hope of attracting a further 100 million yuan for building projects.

While the Wall is worth saving, the question remains as to whether it ever really served its purpose of keeping out invaders. As Genghis Khan noted: "The strength of a wall depends on the courage of those who defend it." In the event, the Mongols breached it effortlessly and set up the Yuan dynasty under Kublai Khan, grandson of Genghis.

Modern tourists expectorating on the structure, which is up to 18 yards high and eight to ten yards wide, are apparently as feared today as where the invading Mongols. At Badaling, 44 miles northwest of Peking, the most popular tourist viewing site, there are at least a dozen notices, in Chinese and English, stating 'Do Not Spit' and giving a warning of dire penalties for those with the temerity to do so.

The conference next month will commemorate the 10th anniversay of the call by Deng Xiaoping, the senior leader, to repair and protect the Wall as a national treasure to stop peasants raiding it for building materials.

Nuclear Italian robbers trapped

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

AN undercover German police team lured members of a Russian atomic smuggling racket into a carefully laid trap and seized up to 300 grams of plutonium 239, enough to poison the entire water supply of Germany.

The seizure at Munich airport was the largest in months of intensive monitoring. The 300 grams was still well short of the quantity needed to produce a nuclear bomb.

Moscow has denied that there is a major leakage of nuclear material. But the Germans are so worried about this traffic that Helmut Kohl, the Chancellor, has written to President Yeltsin. Bernd Schmidbauer, his aide on security matters, is to be sent to Moscow in the next few days and the Chancellor said yesterday he was planning a lengthy telephone conversation on the subject with Mr Yeltsin.

The three men arrested — a Colombian, a Spaniard and a Frenchman — were held on arrival in Munich last Wednesday. Viktor Sidorenko, the Deputy Russian Minister for Nuclear Energy, was on the same Lufthansa flight. Initial speculation suggested that Mr Sidorenko himself was somehow involved in the smuggling attempt, but police later denied this.

Italian allies make up

FROM JOHN PHILLIPS IN ROME

SILVIO Berlusconi was publicly reconciled with Umberto Bossi, his fractious Northern League ally, at the weekend, but the Prime Minister's woes continued as Italians demanded that he save the hallowed Italian Grand Prix from cancellation next month.

The Prime Minister will enjoy a day of respite from speculation against the lira today as markets are closed for the annual Ferragosto holiday. But commentators were sceptical whether the truce with Signor Bossi would last or whether the pressure on the currency will ease until the government takes convincing measures to bring down the budget deficit.

The government has also become engaged in a battle to save national sporting prestige after the decision by the International Automobile Racing Federation to cancel next month's Italian Grand Prix at Monza.

The federation has deemed the race track unsafe, but protests by environmentalists have prevented organisers improving security by cutting down more than 100 trees. Signor Bossi said the government would introduce a decree to ensure the competition remained at Monza, but did not disclose how it would resolve the dispute.

General condemns Moldavia pullout

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW

RUSSIA'S agreement to withdraw its troops from Moldavia was under threat last night after the commander of Russian forces in the former Soviet republic condemned the deal as a "crime".

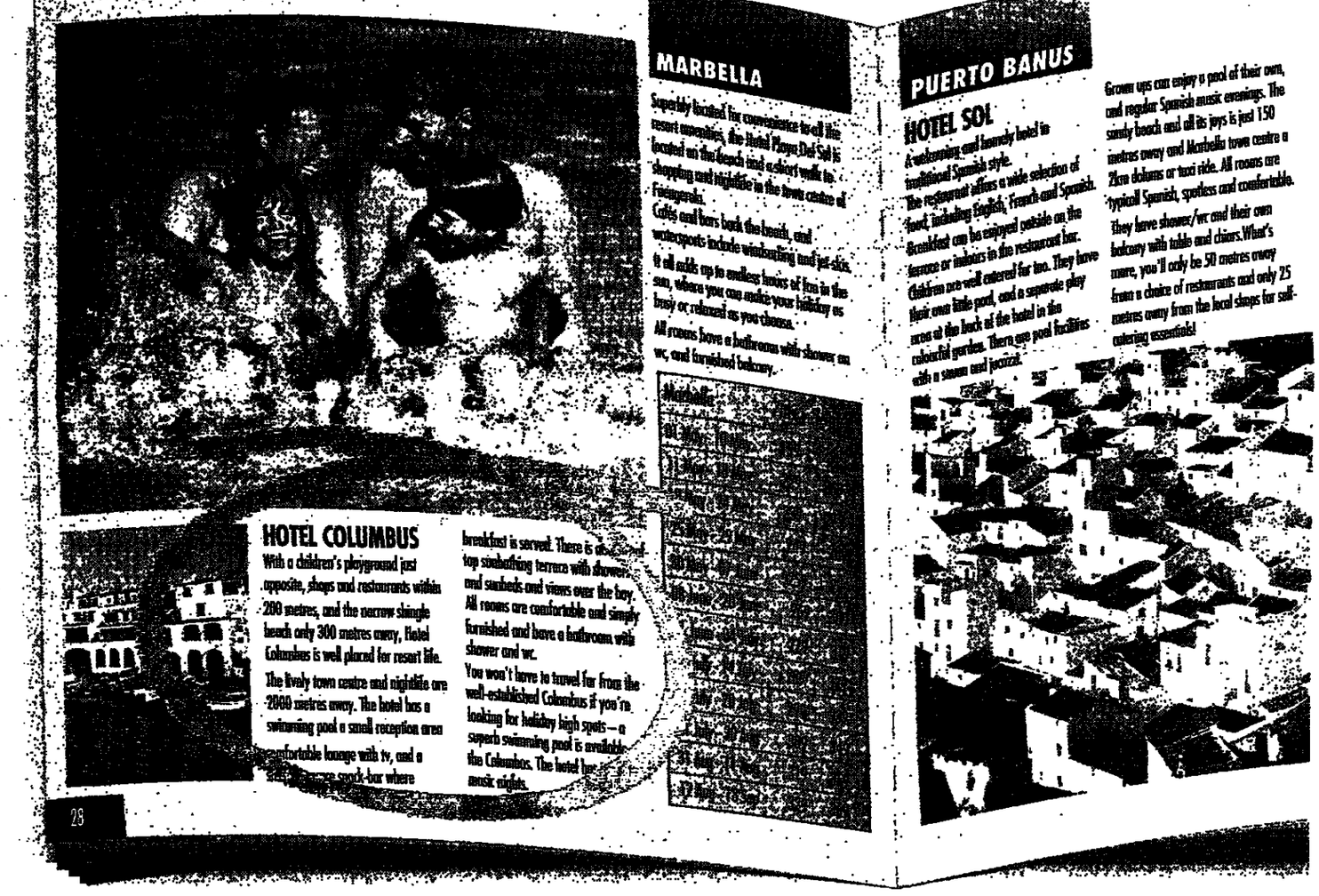
Lieutenant-General Aleksandr Lebed, the tough but popular commander of Russia's 14th Army, based in Moldavia's disputed Dnestr region, gave a warning that any attempt to pull out his 15,000-man force would plunge the region back into a bloody separatist war.

"This is a crime which can make the situation here explode," said the commander, who threatened to resign his commission rather than be "an obedient performer" to a deal which was struck while he was on holiday.

His outburst at a news conference in Tiraspol, capital of the breakaway republic of Dnestr, could jeopardise the agreement reached last week between Russia and Moldavia for the withdrawal of Russian troops within three years.

The general is convinced that without a settlement between the ethnic Russian minority in Dnestr and the Moldavian authorities fighting will flare again as soon as his troops begin to withdraw.

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Mandela promises to speed pace of reform



Mandela: main concern is lagging economic growth

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN IN JOHANNESBURG

■ President Mandela, admitting that the ANC is in tatters, is embarking on a tour to meet his black supporters and to answer criticism that his government achieved little in its first 100 days

AS HE approaches his hundredth day in office, President Mandela has embarked on a series of "meet the people" visits in an attempt to offset the accusation that his government has lost touch with its black constituency since his landslide victory in April.

At the first of the meetings in Northern Transvaal at the weekend, he admitted that the African National Congress is now "in tatters".

"There has been complete dislocation and our organisation is literally in tatters because our leadership is not there," he told a rally in Seshego township. "I have decided that every Monday I will be at the headquarters of the ANC to address our affairs."

The President's pledge follows a number of complaints from the grassroots that his government is not moving rapidly enough to redress the grievances of the black majority. On Thursday, when his 100 days are up, he will make a progress report and indicate a number of presidential projects to be advanced through the fund he established in May.

The President, plainly suffering and still not properly recovered from a cataract operation, conceded last week: "The wheels of government grind slowly." During his first speech to parliament he promised that in 100 days his government would, among other things, provide free medical care for all children under the age of six and for pregnant mothers. The announcement was widely welcomed, but hospitals were immediately overwhelmed with the demand for free treatment. No one had pointed out that most mothers and children already received free treatment at local clinics.

Joe Slovo, the Housing Minister, has been both praised and blamed for his first 100 days of activity, although not many new houses have been built. A conflict with provincial governments keen to implement their own housing plans but who lack the statutory powers to do so, and a determination by the homeless to assert themselves by occupying land illegally, have also hampered progress.

In education, the critics are unanimous that the new Education Department and its ailing Minister, Professor Sibusiso Bhengu, have failed to make any serious impact on the crisis in schools. But the President's principal concern has been over the sluggish performance of the economy. In an interview published in the Johannesburg *Sunday Times*, he said that his priority now was to double the economic growth rate and is discussing plans to "tighten our belts" to achieve this.

He identified his chief worries as the less than 3 per cent growth rate, which is failing to keep up with the population growth; high taxation levels which are making South Africa uncompetitive; a huge public debt and continued high level of borrowing; and a failure of local investors to risk their money on South Africa's future.

Optimists among local commentators, while admitting that much still needs to be done, point out that what is possibly more important is what has not happened.

"We have threaded a delicate path through the dangers of ethnic conflict, class warfare, religious intolerance, language grievances and ideological dispute," maintained the *Sunday Times* in a leading article. "Possibly ... we have succeeded because we are a remarkable people: patient, persistent, courageous. More likely we have succeeded because we have, for once, found leaders of quality."

Rose secures pact to end sniper terror in Sarajevo

FROM JOEL BRAND IN SARAJEVO

AN agreement to stop sniper attacks on civilians, soldiers and peacekeepers in and around Sarajevo is due to take effect today.

Lieutenant-General Sir Michael Rose secured the agreement yesterday, after more than a month of separate talks between the United Nations and the two armies fighting over Sarajevo.

General Rose, the United Nations commander in Bosnia, said the accord was an important step in the peace process. "We're looking at joint measures for the detection and final suppression of snipers who may be about in buildings," he said. Asked to assess the sincerity of the two sides in the light of the failure of so many previous agreements, he added: "It's in the interest of both sides not to allow their citizens to be killed by what is a crime against humanity."

The representative of the Bosnian Serb leadership insisted that the sniper accord would be respected by his side. "Perhaps it can create a better political atmosphere," Nikola Koljevic said after the meeting. "Each step is a big step because it brings us closer to peace, and without peace we cannot have a political settlement."

However, yesterday's accord has few provisions for tighter enforcement of an agreement that has already been in place against snipers. The deal, signed by political leaders and the Sarajevo military commanders on both sides, relies upon their goodwill, a commodity that has so far proved elusive.

The UN will identify where a sniper is firing from, and then ask local military commanders to arrest their own men and prosecute them. One senior UN officer said such provisions were unlikely to be fulfilled, simply because the snipers around Sarajevo are believed to have been operating under orders. However, the officer said that he believed it would lessen the amount of sniping.

General Rose said the next move would be further discussions on his proposal for the demilitarisation of Sarajevo.

Since the international community increased pressure on the Bosnian Serbs to sign the latest peace plan, they have countered by putting more pressure on Sarajevo. Bosnian Serbs cut the capital's main food lifeline and shooting around Sarajevo greatly intensified. Sniping, the bane of two and a half years of siege, resumed after a five-month hiatus. Passengers on the city's tram system were particularly targeted.

General Andre Soubirou, the commander of peacekeeping troops in Sarajevo, has often dismissed suggestions that snipers firing around the city are "rogue elements". He maintains that the two armies have firm control over the gunmen. Last Thursday Mirela Plocic, aged 11, was killed by firing into a street where she had been playing.

During talks on the accord, General Rose presented the Serbs and the Bosnian government with his plan for demilitarising Sarajevo. This is a daunting challenge, but is seen as the next step on the difficult road to peace.

Ejup Ganic, the Bosnian Vice-President, promised his support for demilitarisation, saying it was a logical point to salvage from the Contact Group plan. "The plan assumes that the UN will run Sarajevo for two years," he said in an interview last week. "That assumes of course, that the demilitarisation will take place."

On rolling hills along Sarajevo's southwestern front, Bosnian soldiers continue to exchange fire with the Serbs. The fighters, all from the area, say they want nothing more than a demilitarised Sarajevo, but it must be an undivided one where all nationalities can live. They believe the Serbs will not allow that.

"It will be difficult, considering how they approached the negotiations," said a soldier overlooking Serb positions near Sarajevo airport. "The whole world is pressing them, but they won't listen."

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General Dragomir Milosevic, commander of the Bosnian Serb Sarajevo Corps, signing an anti-sniping agreement at Sarajevo airport yesterday. The deal with the Bosnian government bans attacks on civilians, which recently resumed after a break of several months. The two sides also undertook to stop shooting at planes bringing food to the Bosnian capital. *(AFP)*



Benazir Bhutto, the Pakistan Prime Minister, speaking with President Niyazov of Turkmenistan at yesterday's celebrations in Islamabad to mark the forty-seventh anniversary of Pakistan's independence. Nusrat Bhutto, the Prime Minister's mother, is seated on the right

Sri Lanka dynasty attempts poll comeback

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN COLOMBO

AFTER 17 years in power, the United National Party in Sri Lanka fights its toughest battle for survival in tomorrow's general election, which is being overshadowed by the ten-year war for an independent Tamil homeland.

None of the parties contesting the election seems to have a viable peace policy. The Tamil Tigers have hinted at settling for a federal arrangement, rather than full independence in the north and east of the island, but they have a long record of broken promises.

The Bandaranaikes, one of Asia's most enduring political dynasties, are attempting a comeback. Two widows whose husbands were killed by assassins are hoping to topple a government credited with significant economic improvements and poverty relief programmes; per capita income is double India's and many investors see the country as the next Hong Kong or Singapore.

The parliamentary poll will be followed by presidential elections before the end of the year. One of the candidates will be Sirimavo Bandaranaike, 78, the world's first female Prime Minister, whose husband held the post from 1956-59. Their daughter, Chandrika Kumaranatunga, 49, whose politician husband was killed in 1989, hopes to follow her parents into the job when tomorrow's votes are counted.

Chandrika's brother, Anura, fell out with the family and joined the governing party, which gave him a senior ministerial post.

Mrs Bandaranaike is frail and finds it difficult to walk unaided. If elected President, she would seek to hand over power to parliament.

After so long in power the government is threatened by the fatigue factor, but people are worried that the opposition might prove unstable. A few weeks ago analysts were convinced that the People's Alliance, a coalition of five political parties led by Mrs Kumaranatunga, would come to power, but the governing party has campaigned well and last-minute opinion polls give it a narrow lead. Under Sri Lanka's complicated proportional representation system, small parties could determine who runs parliament.

President Wijetunga, who was elected by parliament after President Premadasa was assassinated in May last year, probably by the Tigers, summoned the elections six months early in the hope of catching opposition parties off-guard. If his party wins, he will be strongly placed for the presidential polls.

The war with the Tigers has claimed more than 30,000 lives, created 600,000 refugees and 500,000 Tamil asylum-seekers across the world.

Tens of thousands also died in a government drive against Sinhalese extremists. The government spends $1 million (£653,000) a day on security.

The Tigers run a ruthless mini-state in the Jaffna peninsula in the north, where poverty and summary executions keep the population cowed. The Sinhalese majority is opposed to a Tamil homeland, or any kind of separate enclave, limiting the room for manoeuvre of whoever comes to power in Colombo.

French troops asked to stay as new Rwanda exodus begins

FROM INIGO GILMORE IN CYANGUGU

THOUSANDS of Rwandans have started walking towards the Zairean border in the southwest, raising fears that within days the numbers trickling into Bukavu could turn to a flood. The exodus has prompted renewed calls for French forces to stay beyond their scheduled departure on August 22.

The numbers of people may be relatively small but there are fears of a domino effect as the displaced move through towns and villages. Hundreds of former government agents are in the region spreading fear about reprisals by the Tutsi-led Rwandan Patriotic Front and urging people to flee.

Francophone Hutus are uneasy about Africans replacing the French forces. The decision to deploy English-speaking Ghanaians and Ethiopians in the south of Rwanda will make it difficult to offer reassurances. The sub-prefect of Cyangugu says he is distrustful of Ethiopian forces who closely resemble Tutsis.



Hollingworth: Rwanda report on television

Lieutenant-Colonel Jacques Hogard, commander of the southern section in the French protection zone, has asked African commanders to choose officers who have a grasp of French and to provide translators. This week the departing soldiers will deliver leaflets calling on the population to work with the UN forces.

Colonel Hogard said that there is nothing else they can do. He said attempts to meet government representatives in Cyangugu have been rebuffed. "They have made it clear that they do not want us to stay beyond August 22," he said.

Larry Hollingworth, who was awarded the CBE earlier this year for his aid work in Bosnia-Herzegovina, has been sent by the television programme *World in Action* to report on Rwanda. Mr Hollingworth's programme *People of the Apocalypse* will be shown on ITV tonight.

Manila church rally attacks Cairo talks

FROM ABBY TAN IN MANILA

THE Roman Catholic Church in the Philippines yesterday mobilised 250,000 people at a rally in the capital to put pressure on the government to reject the terms of next month's global conference on population in Cairo.

Cardinal Sin, the country's eminent church leader, echoed the Vatican's condemnation of the United Nations conference's draft document, saying the programme of action promotes global permissiveness and abortion.

The Church in Asia's only predominantly Catholic country had hoped one million Fillipinos would register their opposition not only to the Cairo conference but also to the government's birth control policy. An effigy of the Cairo document and pornographic material were symbolically burnt at the rally, which was organised as part of the Vatican's campaign to influence international politics. The Vatican sees the Cairo document as a crucial challenge to its doctrine on the sanctity of life and the family.

The Manila rally at the same time focuses on the Philippine Church's long-running feud with the government of President Ramos which wants to reduce the country's birth rate of 2.5 per cent. Cardinal Sin insisted at the rally that the government's distribution of contraceptives and even condoms to fight the Aids disease was "intrinsically evil".

President Ramos said in a recent interview: "Our respect for the sanctity of human life is paramount and non-negotiable, and certainly my government will stand on this policy during the International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo."

Thirsty elephants take to sewage

Harare: Thirsty elephants from Zimbabwe's renowned Wankie National Park are invading the nearby town of Hwange to drink from sewage ponds and golf club water hazards, according to Mick Townsend, the president of Zimbabwe's Wildlife Society (Michael Hartnack writes).

Mr Townsend, head of the country's main private pressure group on natural resources, said lack of political will in the government had left the National Parks Department starved of funds, so only four of the 54 water pumps for Wankie's animals are still working. In last month's budget, less than £4 million was allocated to Zimbabwe's game parks, mainstay of its £80 million a year tourist industry.

Mitterrand well

Paris: President Mitterrand, frail but healthy, attended a ceremony in Provence yesterday to mark the 50th anniversary of the Allied landings. It was his first public appearance since his operation for prostate cancer last month and his absence had prompted press speculation about his health. He stood throughout the hour-long ceremony.

Congo deaths

Brazzaville: Congo yesterday mourned 142 Roman Catholics, mostly children, who were crushed or suffocated to death when panic seized a crowd at a church on Friday. Witnesses said up to 50,000 people were massed round Brazzaville's church of St Peter Claver, drawn by claims that a preacher would work miracles when the crowd surged. *(Reuter)*

Neo-Nazi clash

Luxembourg: Police clashed with 150 German neo-Nazis who, hoping to avoid a crackdown at home, were bussed in for a rally outside the German Embassy here in memory of Hitler's deputy Rudolf Hess, who died in Spandau prison seven years ago. A police spokesman said the demonstrators would be deported. *(Reuter)*

Rebels shelled

Kompong Trach:* Cambodian army units have been shelling suspected Khmer Rouge bases nightly in the south, close to where 16 hostages, including a Briton, an Australian and a Frenchman, are being held, officials said. They reaffirmed their intention not to jeopardise the hostages. *(Reuter)

Nationalist win

Wellington: David Carter won the crucial Selwyn by-election for New Zealand's ruling National Party at the weekend, maintaining its slender two-seat majority in parliament and damping down speculation about an early election. The poll was precipitated by the resignation of Ruth Richardson, the former Finance Minister.

Smoker riposte

Atlantic City: Frank Oliveto, a surgeon who was banned from a casino blackjack table here because he wanted to smoke a cigar, moved to a slot machine, inserted a one-dollar coin and won a record jackpot of $8.5 million (£5.6 million). "Smoking is bad for health, but it's good for my pocketbook," he said. *(AP)*

Reagan on cue

Sydney: Ronald Reagan read from cue cards during meetings, Bob Hawke, the former Australian Prime Minister, says in his memoirs. During a discussion Mr Reagan "with an ease which obviously came from long practice, thumbed through cards held in the palm of his hand (and) read a couple of generalised sentences". *(AFP)*

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Clinton's crumbling credibility threatens reform programme

FROM IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

THE crumbling of President Clinton's domestic agenda three months before congressional elections has made Democrats and Republicans more bitterly opposed to each other and also caused them to bicker among themselves.

At the centre of the disorder lies the question of whether Mr Clinton can govern effectively even when his Democrats ostensibly control both houses of Congress.

Yesterday the President interrupted his weekend at Camp David to visit a church in a black suburb of Washington to plead, as he did last Friday to an audience of police, for Congress to resuscitate the defeated anti-crime Bill. These events are what Mr Clinton does best, the fast-reaction, tub-thumping appearance before a partisan crowd that earned him the nickname the "Comeback Kid" during his election campaign. Speeches are the easy part. Far more difficult, in passing social legislation, is the task of winning and holding the centre on Capitol Hill. The fact that Mr Clinton failed to do so on an issue so popular with the electorate as crime control bodes ill for his goal of healthcare reform, which is languishing in the Senate and has been postponed indefinitely in the House of Representatives. The very gridlock that Mr Clinton vowed to sweep away remains as great an obstacle as before.



Jones: sex harassment claim against Clinton

The crime Bill may be given the kiss of life in Congress on Thursday when some black Democrats may feel they have made their point about the death penalty being applied disproportionately to minorities and will come back to the fold. Also one or two Republicans may be lured across with the promise of a provision to inform people when a paroled sex predator moves into a neighbourhood. Whatever happens, Mr Clinton says he will not yield on the ban opposed by the National Rifle Association for 19 semi-automatic weapons. Perhaps Mr Clinton should have shown as much conviction in the past. A common theme of all the weekend hand-wringing was that Mr Clinton lacks discipline or clout.

He should have seen the defeat coming. Aside from the gun issue, the legislation was laden with social programmes to keep thugs off the streets, such as midnight basketball leagues, which are anathema to conservatives.

Mr Clinton is also paying the price for the wave of calamities that have engulfed his presidency, including the Whitewater affair and the sexual harassment suit brought by Paula Jones that he must defend in Arkansas. Mr Clinton won the White House with only 43 per cent of the popular vote, and it is proving to be too narrow a base for the sweeping changes he promised.

Of immediate concern for Democrats is how they can avoid heavy defeats on November 8 when all of the House and one-third of the Senate are up for re-election. They face a possible loss of control in the Senate and the erosion of so many House seats that the Republicans would be able to join with conservative Democrats, as they did last week, and block all of Mr Clinton's social programmes.

☐ **Health vote:** The first vote on the stalled healthcare reform plan could be as early as next week, Bob Dole, the Republican Senate leader, said yesterday, predicting that his party would not seek to hold up the debate.

Last week Republicans promised to block debate on the scheme and hinted that they would resort to obstructive tactics to prevent rapid passage of the Bill. *(AFP)*



Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas, the Mexican presidential candidate, acknowledging the unexpectedly huge turnout yesterday at a rally in Mexico City

Democrats shy away from 'cuss word' President

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WAGONER, OKLAHOMA

AS THE sun set in the rolling hills of eastern Oklahoma on Saturday night, hundreds of Democrats gathered on the shore of the spectacularly beautiful Fort Gibson lake for Congressman Mike Synar's annual barbeque.

They prayed, pledged allegiance to the flag and sang the national anthem, then sat on hay bales and devoured two whole roast pigs as a band played country music in the warm dusk. There were soft drinks but no alcohol. Chester the Clown amused the children. Red, white and blue balloons festooned the site. It was American politics at its festive best, except for the spectre of President Clinton that stalked the banquet.

Oklahoma is the very "buckle" of America's Bible Belt, and Mr Clinton has become ever more unpopular in this deeply religious and conservative — but traditionally Democratic — state.

Its predominantly rural communities doubt his morality, deplore his support for homosexual and abortion rights, and see him as a liberal who masqueraded as a moderate to win their support in the 1992 election. Clinton is "a cuss word here," declared one woman picnicker.

With November's congressional elections just three months away, this powerful animosity towards their President poses a big dilemma for Democratic candidates, not just in Oklahoma but right across the conservative South that will be the battleground that determines whether the Republicans snatch back effective control of Congress for the first time in a decade. Do they run with Mr Clinton or desert him? More and more are choosing the latter, earning the label "scalded dogs" from gleeful Republicans.

Dave McCurdy, a congressional colleague of Mr Synar's now seeking one of Oklahoma's two Senate seats, attended the barbeque and offered the now standard formulation used by congressmen seeking to distance themselves from their party's leader: "I want this to be a referendum on me and my record, not on the President." The media had "successfully assassinated" Mr Clinton's character, he explained.

Mr McCurdy and Mr Synar both studied at Oklahoma and Edinburgh Universities, both represent a new generation of energetic young Democrats on Capitol Hill, and are both old friends of the former Governor of neighbouring Arkansas. Mr McCurdy campaigned vigorously for Mr Clinton in 1992 while Mr Synar played Ross Perot in Mr Clinton's presidential debate rehearsals.

On this issue, however, the two men have adopted diametrically opposite positions, with Mr Synar remaining stubbornly loyal to the President. He has always taken political risks.

Mexicans vow to fight poll fraud

FROM DAVID ADAMS IN MEXICO CITY

MEXICO'S opposition party, which was denied possible victory six years ago by widespread official fraud, has vowed to defend next Sunday's election results with a campaign of "civil resistance" if the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI), attempts to steal another win. All three main parties ended their election campaigns in the capital before leaving for the countryside in the closest and most democratic race in the country's history.

Mexico City: Voters in the elections have been shaken by an unexpectedly high level of violence. The worst was the New Year uprising in the southern state of Chiapas by the Zapatista National Liberation Army, which coincided with the North American Free Trade Agreement taking effect. There are signs other groups may also fight the government. *(AFP)*

In the "battle of the Zócalo", as Mexico City's Constitution Square is known, all three parties staged large rallies, but it was the opposition underdog, Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas, the candidate for the Democratic Revolutionary Party (PRD), who surprised observers with an impressive turnout which appeared to defy polls predicting that he would run a poor third.

It was in the Zocalo six years ago that Señor Cárdenas shocked the PRI with a huge rally that set the stage for a dramatic election. Señor Cárdenas is out for revenge, hoping to end the PRI's 65-year-long stranglehold on power with the slogan, "Democracy Now". It has been an uphill task fighting against a government that controls almost all national resources, including access to national television, in what remains a virtual one-party state.

Bordered by a glorious 16th-century colonial cathedral and the majestic national palace, no politician could wish for a better setting than the Zocalo to make history.

In an hour-long speech, Señor Cárdenas laid out the basis for what he called "the democratic foundation for a new republic". As for a repeat of the fraud of 1988 he warned the PRI: "Don't even try it."

Although a series of polls have put the PRD third with barely 10 per cent of the vote, experts say if turnout is high Señor Cárdenas, who has strong working-class and rural peasant support, could manage 30 per cent, putting him close to the PRI and the other main opposition rival, the National Action Party.

UN ready to accept Iraqi plea on killing

FROM MICHAEL THEODOULOU IN NICOSIA

KUWAIT blamed Iraq yesterday for shooting dead a Bangladeshi United Nations observer on its border, but UN officials did not rule out the possibility that common criminals were responsible, as Baghdad had claimed.

"We agree that it might have been a robbery or something of that kind, but we are still investigating," an official of the UN military observer force said.

A Bangladeshi warrant officer was killed on Friday night and two others wounded when their vehicle was ambushed in a demilitarised zone on Iraq's side of the border. It was the first time that a member of the UN Iraq-Kuwait observer mission had been killed in an armed incident since the force was deployed in April 1991.

Although Iraq has yet to recognise the border with Kuwait, diplomats said that they would be surprised if Baghdad would risk an attack that would jeopardise its drive to have four years of suffocating trade sanctions lifted.

Israeli-Syrian peace forecast

FROM BEN LYNFIELD IN JERUSALEM

AMID increased efforts to achieve a Syria-Israel peace breakthrough, Muhammad Bassiouny, Egypt's Ambassador to Israel, has predicted that they will sign a draft agreement by the end of the year.

Speaking as Farouk al-Sharaa, the Syrian Foreign Minister, held talks in Alexandria with President Mubarak of Egypt, Mr Bassiouny said: "I believe that before the end of this year there will be at least a declaration of principles between Israel and the Syrians, because both sides are keen to achieve comprehensive peace in the area."



Rabin: denied he had contacts with Saddam

Yitzhak Rabin, the Israeli Prime Minister, was quoted by a government official as having told ministers yesterday that "there are small encouraging signs of Syria's desire to move forward in the peace process". But, Mr Rabin added, "tough disagreements" remained to be settled.

Israel and Syria have been negotiating for nearly three years but their contacts have yet to produce an outline of principles for a peace treaty. Mr al-Sharaa said his government and Israel were engaged in serious contacts but remained far apart over the timing of an Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights.

Mr Rabin also flatly denied yesterday that there had been any contacts with Baghdad or that President Saddam Hussein had made peace overtures to him. "No message has reached me from Saddam Hussein. I didn't ask for mediation with him, and I'm not interested in it," he said, reacting to an Israel Television report that Iraq — which fired dozens of Scud missiles at Israel during the 1991 Gulf War — had expressed readiness to discuss peace with the Jewish state.

Earlier, gunman from the Hamas Islamic Resistance Movement shot dead an Israeli and wounded at least six others in the Gaza Strip, apparently to avenge the killing of two Hamas guerrillas in a gun battle with Israeli police last Friday.

Japanese minister resigns

FROM AFP IN TOKYO

TOMIICHI Murayama, the Japanese Prime Minister, yesterday accepted the resignation of Shin Sakurai, the head of the Environmental Agency, over controversial remarks he made in defence of the country's wartime record.

The Jiji Press news agency said Mr Murayama, who returned to Tokyo from a holiday, named Sohei Miyashita, the former defence agency chief, to replace the disgraced Liberal Democratic minister.

Mr Sakurai was criticised by China and South Korea after he said at a news conference on Friday that Japan had not intended to wage a "war of aggression" in the Pacific during the Second World War. He later retracted the remarks.

Mr Sakurai tendered his resignation yesterday, saying he did not want to "trouble the Murayama Cabinet any further". Mr Sakurai was the second Cabinet member to resign in the past three months over controversial remarks about Japan's war record.

Shigeto Nagano, the Justice Minister, stood down in May over commenting that the 1937 Nanking massacre was a "fabrication". China claims that more than 300,000 people were killed by Japanese soldiers at Nanking.

Doubts cloud Korean deal

BY IAN BRODIE

THE major accord reached with North Korea over nuclear weapons was greeted with caution by officials in Washington yesterday. The reasons were that many details still needed to be ironed out and that the North Koreans have been guilty of backsliding after making promises in the past.

Yet, for all the apprehension, the agreement contains the essence of bringing an end to more than 40 years of hostility on the Korean peninsula. The North Koreans have turned their threat of acquiring nuclear weapons into a promise of Western help and an end to isolation.

Under the agreement, Pyongyang will not reprocess nuclear material, including 8,000 spent fuel rods that could have produced enough plutonium for five or six nuclear weapons. It will also halt construction of two graphite reactors for its energy needs in exchange for more modern light-water reactors which are less capable of producing weapons-grade material. North Korea and the US will set up liaison offices in their two capitals, the first step towards diplomatic recognition and trade.

The US will try to put together a consortium to pay most of the costs of the new reactors, estimated at between £1.3 billion and £2.6 billion. To spare the American taxpayer, the Clinton Administration will lean on Germany and Japan for funds that may come to be seen as the price the two nations must pay to win US support for their longed-for seat on the UN Security Council.

Han Sung Joo, the South Korean Foreign Minister, said yesterday that Seoul would help Pyongyang to replace its reactors with a light-water system, forming the first economic link between the two states.

A big snag in the nuclear agreement is North Korea's continued refusal to allow international inspection of two suspected nuclear-waste sites to which it first denied access 18 months ago, prompting US threats of UN sanctions.

French support internment

FROM ADAM SAGE IN PARIS

A CLEAR majority of Frenchmen back their government's tough crackdown on Muslim fundamentalists, according to an opinion poll published over the weekend.

The poll came as two more alleged militants were interned in a disused military barracks in northern France, bringing the total number held there to 25.

According to the poll published in *Le Parisien*, the Paris-based daily, 57 per cent of Frenchmen support the hardline measures taken over the past week by Charles Pasqua, the Interior Minister.

As well as the internments, M Pasqua has ordered identity checks on more than 20,000 people in central Paris and other big cities as part of his response to the murder of five Frenchmen in Algiers.

The measures have clearly boosted his personal standing and that of Edouard Balladur's Gaullist government, according to the poll. The government's anti-terrorist strategy was supported by more than 70 per cent of those questioned: more than 60 per cent said they trusted the ruling coalition to preserve racial harmony.

There was less support for Mr Pasqua's insistence on financing the embattled military-led regime of President Zeroual in Algeria. Of those questioned, 54 per cent thought France should leave Alegeria to its fate, withdrawing all consular staff. Media analysts said the poll findings reflected the government's successive failures over the past week. On the domestic front, France has adopted a severe line that has involved an uncompromising assault on extremism. The country's foreign policy, however, has been confused, with M Pasqua urging unconditional support for Present Zeroual, and Alain Juppé, the Foreign Minister, noticeably frostier in his comments about the regime.

Shaikh Abdelbaki Sahraoui, a founder of the Islamic Salvation Front and imam at the Barbes mosque in Paris, called for calm at the weekend, saying France did not face a terrorist threat.

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Woodstock opens with four weddings and a funeral



A family braving the rain at Woodstock II yesterday

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

■ Although the thunderstorms and a few naked neo-hippies were redolent of 1969, the music and spirit at the weekend's Woodstock festival failed to match the original and many fans were thwarted by traffic

A GENERATION of young Americans reared on television re-runs replayed its own version of the Woodstock music festival at the weekend, with many of the trappings of the original 25 years ago.

Naked neo-hippies roamed the 840-acre concert site in upstate New York, as thunderstorms drenched the crowd of 250,000 and revellers danced smeared in mud. So far there have been four weddings performed on the grounds and one death, that of a 44-year-old man who died of diabetes complications.

But the so-called Generation X — named precisely because of its lack of identity — failed to define itself at the two-day festival in the way that the "baby-boomers" did back in the heady summer of 1969. The message of "Peace, Love and Rock 'n' Roll" of the original Woodstock was perverted to "Peace, Love and No Parking" as roads were closed for 15 miles to prevent an influx of cars into the already over-crowded car-parks. Under the crush of people security broke down and thousands gate-crashed the festival.

The event's organisers issued their own currency for the hot dog stands and "Woodstock II" T-shirts cost $45 (£30) each. Six-packs of watery American beer replaced LSD as the illicit drug of choice, with alcohol banned from the site and a roaring trade in smuggled beer. One acned youth stood forlornly clutching a sign that read simply: "I want acid".

Where once a generation united against the Vietnam War, the overwhelmingly white, "twenty-something" crowd seemed unconvinced over whether environmental degradation, economic stagnation, Aids or some other issue such as Bosnia or vivisection qualified as the "new Vietnam".

The music, too, was schizophrenic, with veterans of the first Woodstock playing back-to-back with the latest stars of heavy metal and rap. A balding Joe Cocker opened the proceedings with a nostalgic rendition of "With a Little Help from My Friends" to roars of approval from the audience. He was quickly superseded by the rapper B Real and his group, Cypress Hill, with such peace-loving lyrics as: "Shoot 'em up, just shoot 'em up. boom, boom". The Rolling Stones, now on a US tour, refused to put in an appearance.

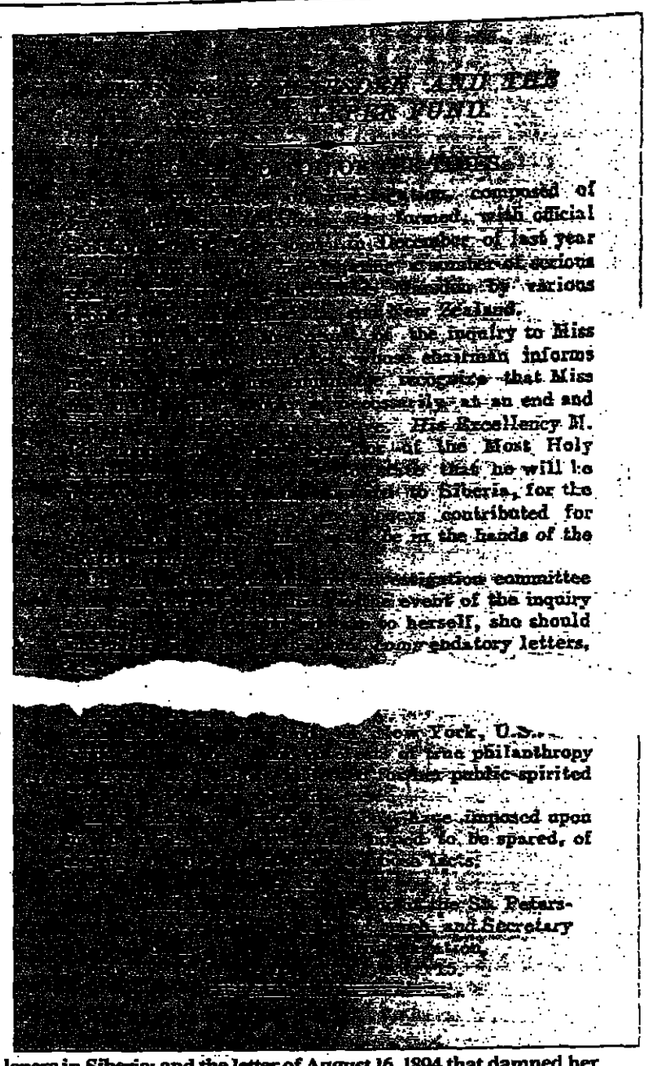
The real old-timers gathered at a smaller festival at the site of the original concert about 60 miles from the Woodstock II celebration at Saugerties. About 12,000 purists, mostly in their forties, returned to Max Yasgur's farm near Bethel, New York, to hear Richie Havens and Arlo Guthrie play for free.

"You can feel the spirit coming up from the ground," said Kate Decker, 42, who heard Jimi Hendrix and Janis Joplin play at the site in 1969. "I would not go to Saugerties. That's money. This is Woodstock."

A hundred years ago a brave and eccentric woman was ruined by one letter in *The Times*. **William Millinship** reports

Heroine of Russia cast out into the cold


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The humanitarian Kate Marsden, in travelling dress, with a map of her route across Russia to help lepers in Siberia; and the letter of August 16, 1894 that damned her

A century ago tomorrow, a letter in *The Times* destroyed Kate Marsden, at 35, a renowned traveller, nurse and philanthropist. The August 16, 1894 letter — from the Rev Alexander Francis, the Scottish Congregational pastor of the British-American Church in St Petersburg — was imprecise but said that Marsden had acknowledged the truth of the "gravest" charges.

She fought back and began an action against Francis and *The Times*. It never reached court, and at 71 she died of "senile decay" in Wandsworth in 1931, penniless and forgotten.

At the peak of her fame, this tall, plain and pious woman was credited with a magnetic personality: eccentric, perhaps even "cracked", but honest and energetic. In 1892 she was one of the first women elected to be a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society (in the face of fierce opposition from the RGS's old guard).

This was a reward for her heroic journey across Russia two years earlier to help lepers in northeast Siberia. Her book, *On Sledge and Horseback to Outcast Siberian Lepers*, describes the expedition, starting with her three-month winter trek to Irkutsk by horsedrawn sledge, weighed down with layers of thick clothing, riding on luggage that included 40 pounds of plum pudding, hauled over the snow by troikas.

Ada Field of St Petersburg, her companion-interpreter, gave up at Omsk, suffering from the intense cold, the foetid resthouses crawling with bugs and lice and the "bumping, jolting, tossing" of the sledges. She was also needed in London to raise fresh funds for lepers.

Marsden, who spoke no Russian, pressed on, pausing to distribute tea and gospels in jails that she was allowed to inspect thanks to a letter from Empress Marya of Russia, wife of Tsar Alexander III.

From Irkutsk, Marsden travelled three weeks by barge on the Lena River to Yakutsk, capital of Yakutia, a sparsely populated province five times bigger than France. Finally there was a 2,000-mile horseback ride from Yakutsk to Vilyuysk, tormented by mosquitoes, with a Cossack and 14 men to guide her.

They zigzagged around the lakes and swamps that form on top of the permafrost in the intense heat of summer, and rode deep into the forests to find groups of lepers living like animals "in a churchyard of desolation", waiting to die of disease, cold or hunger.

Marsden's London committee collected £2,400 by June 30, 1893 and sent most of it to Konstantin Pobedonostzev, of the Holy Synod in St Petersburg, for the construction of a leper hospital in Vilyuysk. This was completed by 1897 and staffed by a Russian doctor and nurses. After 1917, leprosy was declared eradicated and the hospital closed.

Back in London, Marsden was lionised by the British press. She was compared to Father Damien, the Belgian priest who founded a leper colony on the island of Molokai, Hawaii, and died a leper in 1889. She was another David about to slay Goliath, a second Stanley, a new Florence Nightingale. W.T. Stead, the crusading journalist, wrote a panegyric in his *Review of Reviews* headed "Quest for the Holy Grail". Ethel Bedford Fenwick, founder of the Royal British Nurses Association, arranged for her (with Ada Field) to exhibit at the Chicago World Fair in spring 1893.

When the Francis letter appeared, the praise stopped. Marsden counter-attacked in *The Times* two days later with a report that she claimed exonerated her. The same edition carried a letter from Francis explaining that the favourable report was an early draft, written before he had received conclusive evidence against her.

Why did he suddenly turn on a woman in whom he had believed? A partial answer is provided by a hitherto unpublished letter in the Russian State Archives, written by Francis to the Prefect of St Petersburg in 1894.

He wrote: "It would be terrible for all concerned were it to be known that immorality with women is, according to Miss Marsden's own written confessions, one of her sins." To protect her patronesses, he proposed to publish "facts concerning her fraudulent transactions, in order that the public may suppose that that is the greater offence".

The letter reeks of fear of the Russian authorities, whose goodwill Francis needed to preserve his church. His letter in *The Times* would, he said, "suppress Miss Marsden", provided she had no further encouragement from Russia.

Behind Francis stood Marsden's most active enemy, Isabel Hapgood, the American linguist who was the first writer to translate the great Russian novelists of the 19th century direct from Russian to English. She never met Marsden but became obsessed by the campaign to destroy her. She badgered Francis, editors, royalty, the Charity Organisation Society, the leaders of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the organisers of the Chicago Fair, pouring out shrill letters.

> 'According to her confessions, immorality with women is one of her sins'

She organised hostile affidavits from New Zealand, where Marsden had spent several years and made many enemies. The affidavits went to *The Times*'s solicitor, Joseph Soames, and were the basis of "interrogatories" Marsden had to answer, if her libel action were to go to trial.

In November, 1895, the action was dismissed because, she said, she could not afford to pay counsel to answer the interrogatories. She and her mother had been short of money ever since her solicitor father had died when she was 15, leaving his family unprovided for.

She may also have been influenced by Oscar Wilde's legal catastrophe in the spring of 1895, when his libel action against the Marquis of Queensberry failed and he was himself tried and jailed under a recent law making male homosexual acts illegal.

Marsden knew, from the interrogatories, that she would be vigorously cross-examined. Soames, moreover, was having her investigated by the same private detective who had traced Wilde's male prostitutes. Marsden was in no danger of imprisonment because female homosexuality was not a crime under the law, but she would be exposed as a lesbian and likely to lose her children, with heavy costs.

So she published a pathetic book herself in 1895, referred to a "dark episode" but attributed this to "mental aberration" and suggested that her leper work was a form of atonement. Marsden later had two social successes. She was presented at court a second time in 1906 and ten years later became an honorary, Life Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society.

Even so, in 1921 she made a last effort to clear her name with a bitter little book, *My Mission in Siberia: A Vindication*. She denounced the "calumnies" that had ruined her, adding: "What I did I did."

By then, nobody in England was listening. Francis and Hapgood had effectively suppressed her. Today, she is remembered only in Vilyuysk, where Yakuts talk to British visitors about the heroine England sent them a century ago and wonder why the visitors look blank.

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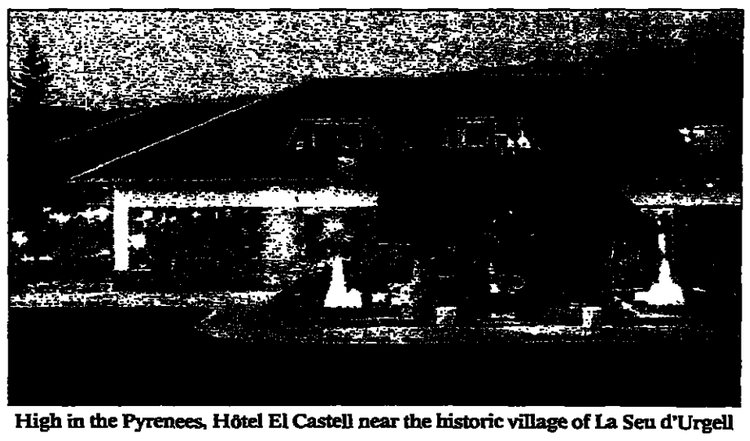
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Tomorrow readers have the chance to win a luxury weekend in France

A chance to show off Britain's transport system to the minister is too good to miss

Join the tragical mystery tour

Sometimes, you feel sorry for Cabinet ministers. Their lives are circumscribed by Wonderland logic: no wonder they occasionally vent their feelings by lashing out with a set of Smacking Guidelines. The latest victim of unreal values is Brian Mawhinney. Half-asleep yesterday morning, I heard the news that because of the signalling strike he has "cancelled his foreign holiday". This is in spite of the fact that we are constantly told that the Government exerts no influence whatever over the bargaining process, and that it is all up to Railtrack.

Mysterious government PR logic has nonetheless concluded that it would be impolitic for Mr Mawhinney to be photographed doing his carefully considered nothing on a foreign beach. He must, in the best traditions of non-interventionist Conservative Government, stay home so that he can do his not-stepping-in at a moment's notice, never mind that it is as easy to fax the words "Oh, all right, 6.7 per cent" from St Tropez as from St Ives.


LIBBY PURVES

But — here I woke up properly — the newsreader added that Mr Mawhinney will have "a short British break" instead. Crying *eureka*, I dashed for the job of his travel agent. The opportunity to plan a short British holiday for a Minister of Transport is beyond a lobbyist's wildest dreams of influence.

I know little of Mr Mawhinney personally, but I do know that however sensible they start, all ministers eventually succumb to limo-vision, or Thatcher's Disease. This distressing condition makes the victim gradually lose the ability to empathise with anybody except the backseat passenger in a large car paid for by someone else. Mr Mawhinney may not yet be a sufferer: but the chance is too good to miss.

He shall begin with a relaxing two days in an historic market town of golden stone and narrow streets, choked and shaking with lorries. Stamford, where they filmed *Middlemarch*, might do. Here he could sit in cafés with TIR drivers, discussing techniques for getting your artic round those pesky Regency cornices, and the best rat-runs to avoid toll-paying motorways.

The drivers could give him a laugh by describing their cargoes. He might meet one who collects bananas from Southampton docks, drives them to Lancashire for ripening, then takes them back to Somerset for warehousing and distribution, as detailed in the recent Lancaster University study of absurd freight movements.

After a day's rest in a disused railfreight siding boasting all the immemorial peace the choked little towns used to have, he could cruise on a canal boat, observing how quiet, how smooth, how cheap is travel on our serviceable 18th-century canals. He could muse, as he wound the lock-gates, how odd it is that no British Government since the war (when the canals proved their worth) has encouraged imperishable cargoes to glide to the nation's back door by water.

Refreshed, the minister and family next travel through East Anglia by little trains like the one which daily trundles my children to school. He could feel how restful and unobtrusive they are, how useful to the young and the old and the car-less, and what a sense of community they engender. Then he could work out how long, under privatisation, such lines could survive. Driving on beyond their reach to rural areas which have already lost their railways, he could pick up a couple of hitchhikers and learn that they are not layabouts but ordinary teenagers with no other way to get around.

The final phase of his holiday was scheduled to be a free-wheeling bus tour of Norfolk and Lincolnshire, hopping on and off local services as you can in Greece, or France or Scandinavia. But I have cancelled this, since it has been pointed out to me that given the erratic nature of the bi-fortnightly bus from North Snoring to Frecklesfield, we might not get Mr Mawhinney back for the State Opening. So I have pencilled in a nature walk on Twyford Down, a cycle through central London, an adventure hike through Birmingham underpasses by night, and a cup of herb tea in Bel Mooney's yurt. Yes, minister?



Tracking down a few old flames



Call back the past, deck it out in feathers and imagination, and put a bold front on the future

Last summer a black silk evening dress designed by the revered couturier Madame Vionnet (who introduced the first bias-cut dresses in 1926) sold at Christie's for £24,200, a world record for a Vionnet gown. But old clothes are not only making big money, they *are also big news.*

The obvious charm of antique clothes is their spirit of individuality. Wearing something discovered in a second-hand store, or bid for at a swanky auction house, rather than found hanging on a rail full of identical versions, will ensure that no one else will turn up wearing the same *outfit.*

If you only have the local charity shop at your disposal find out on which days new deliveries are expected, and check out the local press for house sales. The designer Paul Smith's latest womenswear collection featured second-hand handbags and shoes found in thrift shops and *markets across America.*

Even the supermodels are walking around dressed like so many second-hand Roses. They head for Virginia's in west London, but throughout the country there are treasure trove stores which are definitely worth a visit *(see listing, bottom left).*

However, the fashion industry is nothing if not perverse. This summer designers are deliberately mimicking the antique and the aged, creating clothes which appear to have a history. At times the clothes shown on the catwalks in Paris looked as though they had been plucked from the stalls of the famed flea market at Clignancourt. Fragile fabrics, faded colouring and historically correct design details turned up in the collections of designers Martine Sitbon, Chloe, Vivienne Westwood, Christian Lacroix, Jean Paul Gaultier, Valentino and John Galliano. In Milan, Dolce e Gabbana produced a collection of dreamy dresses with droopy puffed sleeves and tightly corseted bodices.



Fashion

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Fleur Oakes, of London, creates new clothes from old *found items including fabrics* discovered in her grandmother's attic. Her corseted bodices are decorated with all manner of things, including feathers and old letters.

An Aladdin's Cave of possibilities for the prospective second-hand shopper is the *Gallery of Antique Costume* and Textiles in northwest London. The Gallery, owned by Lionel Segal, has been visited by designers as diverse as Romeo Gigli, Donna Karan, Lacroix, Ralph Lauren, John Rocha and Katharine Hamnett. The Gallery also offers authentic textiles and accessories.

The Gallery is used by the film and theatre industry and has provided textiles and clothing for many productions including the Oscar winners *Out of Africa* and *The Last Emperor.*

Segal, an expert in Chinese robes, now finds it more difficult to find good quality antique clothing, and has introduced his own collection of reproductions called Textile Treasures. This features authentic cuts and fabrics, allowing customers to create unique garments replicating age-old designs. And so fashion continues to plunder its past, in the hope of shaping its future.

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LEFT: Muslin bustier, with feathers and pearls, £132.50; blouse, £75, Fleur Oakes, Koh Samui, 58 Monmouth Street, WC2. Choker, £18, Dolly Diamond, 51 Pembridge Road, W11



ABOVE: Collarless gold heavily embroidered waistcoat, £250, Gallery of Antique Costume & Textiles, 2 Church St, NW8. White Edwardian cotton lawn blouse with lace panelling on front, collar and sleeves, £60, Cloud Cuckoo Land, 6 Carlton Place Camden Passage, N1. Slimfit trousers with silver sequin stripe on outside of leg, £15, Glorious Clothing Company, 60 Upper St, N1

LEFT: Pink, turquoise and gold embroidered military jacket with frogging fastening, £150, black floral print bias cut chiffon dress (sold with matching coat, not shown), £275, Gallery of Antique Costumes & Textiles, as before. Choker of old St Christopher medals (50p each) and beads (80p to £1.40 per 18g pot) threaded on to turquoise string, The Bead Shop, Neal Street, WC2



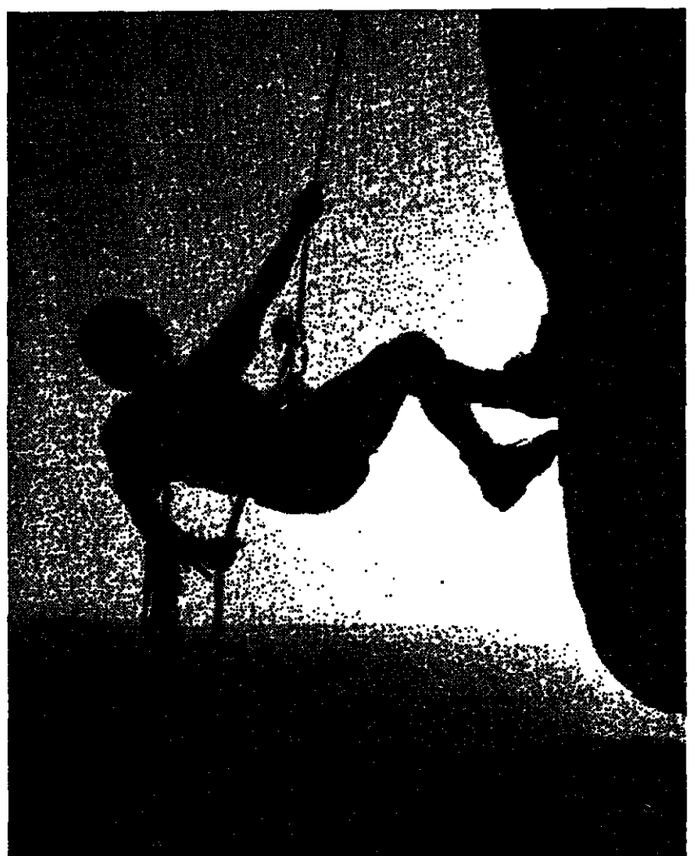
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Matthew Parris



■ The Home Secretary is fighting a drugs war in Bolivia, but if he wins it could make matters worse in Britain

Poor Michael Howard. As I write, the Home Secretary is on his way, apparently, to Bolivia. The last thing he wants to encounter as he retches from the altitude in La Paz is *The Times*'s parliamentary sketchwriter. But here I am, thoroughly acclimatised and full of mischief.

This column comes, though, not to blame Mr Howard but to praise him. Doubtless his visit is calculated to produce pictures of the British Home Secretary shaking hands with opposite numbers in the Andes, and urging them to redouble their efforts to stop the export of coca and its derivatives. There will be a fatuous joint declaration, and, later at the Tory conference in Bournemouth, applause for Mr Howard.

I too applaud his holiday endeavours. On the road to La Paz I have had a Damascene conversion to the "world community's" crusade against coca. Chewing some (60 cents a pound from the stall next to the potato sellers in Cochabamba market) I have realised that everything I have ever written about the oppression of the South American Indians by the US Drug Enforcement Agency and their lickspittle British government apologists, was wrong.

> You pay in your stolen cars and car-radios, break-ins, muggings; your fear of crime

Howard and his Washington friends are not the scourge of the Bolivian poor at all. They are their godfathers. They, and they alone, are the means of price support to the Andean rural economy, and the massive invisible exports which sustain the Thatcherite miracle of this nation's economic recovery. No wonder Mr Howard and his Bolivian counterparts will be smiling all over that handshake, for our Home Secretary, by promising to maintain efforts to restrict supply and squeeze the competition, is promising to help to maintain producer prices: the best and most enlightened form of foreign aid devised.

I challenge the Adam Smith Institute to disprove or validate the argument which follows. Coca grows vigorously on hot, sunny, well-watered slopes such as the Andes — and innumerable other places — provide. So do tomatoes. But there are no tomato barons in Bolivia. This is because Mr Howard will let anybody grow tomatoes. So the price of tomatoes is low. What enhances the price of coca leaves to a level which provides a good living for hundreds of thousands in the Andes — and what enhances the price of refined cocaine to a level which balances Bolivia's trade and permits her to fund health and education projects at home without inflating the currency — is what Mr Howard is coming here to promote: the restriction of the world's supply of coca and its derivatives.

Any explosion in the quantity of coca leaves available to world markets — or any increase in the number of producer countries — would lower prices and slash incomes. Both Howard and his South American counterparts have every interest in keeping up the squeeze. Mr Howard, of course, aims officially not just to squeeze but to block the trade. But as a Thatcherite he knows this cannot be done, as the tighter the squeeze, the higher the prices and the keener the producers.

The really dramatic added value, of course, occurs not in the pricing of the leaves but in the hands of the processors, exporters and dealers. They stand to make fortunes. But they also stand to lose their lives or liberty — the risk balancing the reward. That is why I say that in the strict sense of the word, the peasants are the only beneficiaries, for their benefit is not accompanied by any extra risk or effort.

And I do mean that. I hope HM Ambassador in La Paz has briefed Mr Howard on the farce he is helping to stage. There is a degree of control of coca-planting here. It would be hard for new growers to enter the market in any quantity. But existing agriculture patterns are mostly undisturbed — except for the occasional showcase arrest of a peasant for the pre-briefed American cameras.

Coca is permitted for domestic consumption. Millions chew it. Nobody can stop it. Nobody really wants to. Leaving an expensive hotel after a meal, we saw the staff spreading an artistic ring of coca leaves around a table display in the lobby. I wonder if Mr Howard will dine there?

He has a useful job to do. The trade is nicely balanced at present. What at present is an orderly market could collapse if too many new producers are let in. So Mr Howard's visit matters. We need to preserve the status quo. Peasants get their income, producers and merchants get their reward, and Mr Howard gets his applause at Bournemouth. Everyone's a winner.

Or nearly. Who pays the peasants, the smugglers, the dealers? Who applauds Mr Howard? You do, stupid! You pay in your stolen cars and car-radios; your break-ins; your muggings; your children's brushes with the underworld of drug-related crime. You pay in your fear of crime. You pay in your applause of Mr Howard. Coca supports his career too. All these things are the natural outcome of the rigged market you have sent Mr Howard here to help to organise. So — on behalf of the Indian poor in the Andes — thank you.

The bad boys of the Balkans are under increasing pressure to make peace, **Lawrence Freedman** says

Will Bosnian Serbs change their minds?

The United States is moving towards a lifting of the Bosnian arms embargo, and perhaps even toward supplying weapons to the Bosnian Muslims themselves. Some elements in the Bosnian equation are turning against the Serbs; the question is whether they are sufficient to force their leaders to reappraise their strategy.

For the past few months the basic objective of Western policy has been to bring the conflict to a definitive conclusion on terms which can be represented as an international consensus while setting as few damaging precedents as possible. At the centre of this effort is a plan for a settlement, which, like all its predecessors, is an awkward compromise between the current distribution of people and forces on the ground, and such basic principles as respect for the territorial integrity of states, minority rights and no reward for aggression. Because it cuts Serb holdings from 72 per cent to 49 per cent it has been accepted by the Bosnian government and for the same reason has been rejected by the Bosnian Serbs.

Somehow the Serbs must be persuaded to change their minds. Yet for two years they have successfully resisted all pressure to relinquish their territorial gains while their opponents have lacked the strength to dislodge them. The main influence of the United Nations, and the more recent backing from Nato of air power, has been to sustain Muslim communities and so deny the Serbs more gains.

The effort to secure full Russian participation in the UN effort through the Contact Group (Britain, France, Germany, Russia and the United States) has paid dividends by denying the Serbs a powerful patron. This has led to some success in snapping the umbilical cord between Serbia proper and the Bosnian Serbs, as a result of the threat of intensified sanctions.

Serbia has survived established sanctions better than expected, and there has been a declining regional interest in their implementation. However, instead of being to the fore of a post-communist revival, Belgrade saw its economy being held down with no prospect of recovery and the possibility of it descending into free fall with a further tightening of the screw. Slobodan Milosovic, in Belgrade, is now unwilling to accept the costs of the drive towards a Greater Serbia which he set in motion and has imposed his own blockade on his Bosnian compatriots.

Apart from requiring general belt-tightening amongst the Bosnian Serbs there is no reason to believe that the loss of Serbian support will have a significant effect on their military capability, with one significant exception. They have big stores of equipment and ammunition, but could be hampered by fuel shortages.

At the same time the Bosnian government now only has to fight on one front since a deal was brokered with the Croats. This has released troops with some battle experience to take on the Serbs. Over recent days there has been evidence of growing military strength, both in terms of nibbling away at the edges of Serb territory and suppressing a Muslim separatist movement in the north.

This link between Croatia and Bosnia provides a route by which military supplies can be pushed through with, it is widely assumed, the support of Iran and Arab states.

The flow of arms could increase further, and include vital heavy weapons, if American pressure for a UN resolution to lift the arms embargo against Bosnia succeeds. The resistance of Britain and France to this step has eased. Russia remains uncertain: Andrei Kozyrev, the Foreign Minister, is anxious to keep in line with the other members of the Contact Group but opinion in Moscow is against an anti-Serb stance.

President Clinton has now given the Serbs two months to accept the Contact Group's plan before setting in motion a UN vote. If there has not been a UN agreement (which by implication would mean that the US and Russia will have fallen out over this issue) then the US will lift the embargo unilaterally.

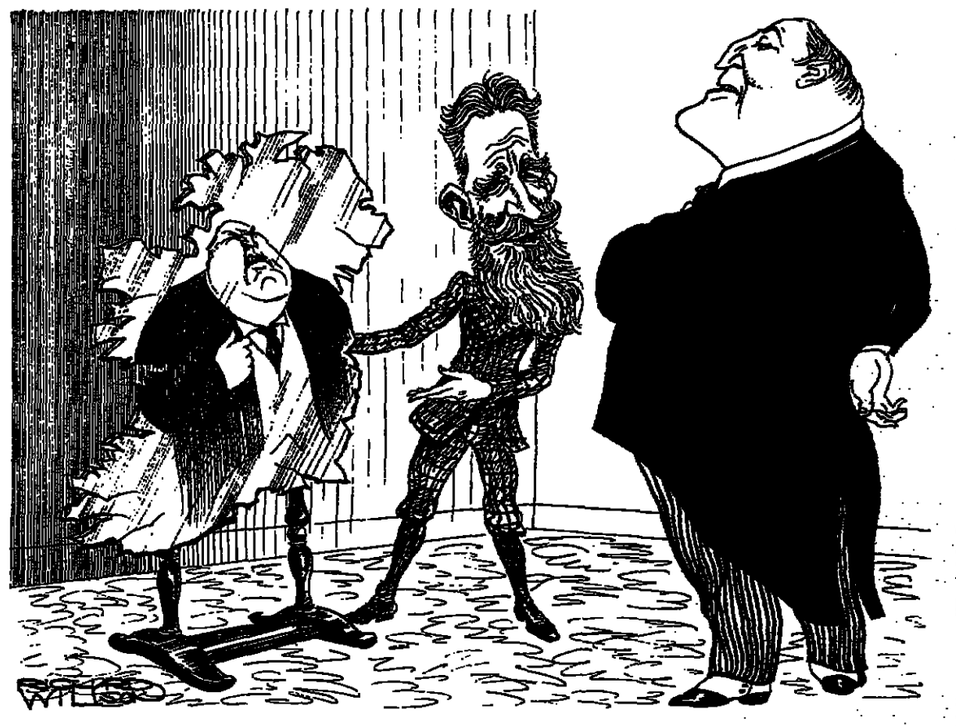
By this time strategic calculations will be influenced by the onset of winter. This will hamper Muslim offensives. Somehow, they will need to get their new weapons delivered to the critical units in the field and get training in their use and maintenance. The winter will also increase the importance of getting convoys through to besieged towns, except that by now the bulk of UN troops may have been withdrawn as a precursor to lifting the arms embargo to spare them Serb retaliation. With a reduced UN presence, the Serbs would also find it much easier to find ways round the blockade. To maintain their position the Bosnian Serbs will be looking to prevent the Muslims from breaking the corridor which joins their northern and eastern territories, and to maintain control of supply routes to Sarajevo and the other besieged towns of Gorazde, Zepa and Srebrenica.

This control gives them a bargaining position which they could start to use if the Belgrade-imposed blockade starts to bite. Why, they will ask, should we help the UN to feed Muslims if we are starved of fuel and basic commodities? The UN could find itself in the ironic position of being obliged, in a series of local deals, to help to break the blockade, which the Contact Group has been striving to impose, as the only way of keeping the supply lines open to the Muslims.

None of this encourages optimism for an early end to this war. The Bosnian Serbs' position may have been weakened, and could weaken further, but they still enjoy important strengths. They say that they are prepared to deal, but while negotiations might be possible at some point over their demands for more corridors, greater contiguity of its territory, and no pretence at federation with the Muslims, it is difficult to see how the Contact Group, let alone the Bosnian government, could agree to them holding on to more than 49 per cent of the land. Until such time as they can be pushed off the land they are unlikely to relinquish it.

Last literary laugh for Ireland

25 more years of Troubles have not dulled the lessons Irish genius can teach the English



William Rees-Mogg

What do Robert Boyle, Jonathan Swift, George Berkeley, Lawrence Sterne, Oliver Goldsmith, Richard Brinsley Sheridan, Edmund Burke, Oscar Wilde, George Bernard Shaw and William Butler Yeats have in common? They are all major figures in English literature. They were also all born in Ireland. Swift, Sheridan, Burke, Wilde, Shaw and Yeats were born in Dublin; it would take some thought to name six English authors of equal eminence born in London. Boyle was born in Munster, Berkeley in Kilkenny, Sterne in Clonmel and Goldsmith in Longford. One could find several other Irish authors in the higher ranks of English literature, but this group seems pre-eminent, particularly for one quality, humour.

Remove Swift, Sterne, Goldsmith, Sheridan, Wilde and Shaw from English literature and English comedy, at least on the stage, would be almost obliterated. After Congreve and before Noel Coward, the classical English comedies for two centuries were written by four Irishmen: Goldsmith, Sheridan, Wilde and Shaw. Swift and Sterne are two of the great humorous novelists in English literature; yet there is no lack of humour in Fielding, in Jane Austen, in Thackeray, in Evelyn Waugh, not to mention P.G. Wodehouse. The Irish contribution to the humour of the novel has no monopoly, but it does come at the start. English humour, on which we so much pride ourselves, has often been Irish humour at second hand.

The culture from which these authors came was Anglo-Irish. They all lived at a time when England ruled Ireland; they all came from the Protestant Ascendancy; Swift, Berkeley and Sterne all were clergymen of the Church of England. If the Church of England has great saints, Bishop Berkeley must be one of them. All of these authors wrote in the English language; only Yeats showed any particular interest in the old Irish language and literature.

Humour is a way of dealing with pain, and the social condition of Ireland in the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries was essentially one of oppression. The pain that Jonathan Swift expressed is the most direct and intense. In 1729 he wrote his "modest proposal for preventing the children of poor people in Ireland from being a burden to their parents or country, and for making them beneficial to the public . . . It is a melancholy object to those who walk through this great town or travel in the country, when they see the streets, the roads and cabin doors crowded with beggars of the female sex, followed by three, four or six children, all in rags, and importuning every passenger for an alms.

"These mothers instead of being able to work for their honest livelihood are forced to employ all their time in strolling to beg sustenance for their helpless infants, who, as they grow up, either turn thieves for want of work, or leave their dear native country, to fight for the Pretender in Spain, or sell themselves to the Barbadoes." Swift's proposal was, of course, that these Irish children should be fattened for the table.

Yet it is not only through Swift's savage indignation that we can understand the historic pain of Ireland in these centuries. Swift had a bitter temperament; Goldsmith was mild and sweet-natured. It was Goldsmith who wrote:

> Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey,
> Where wealth accumulates and men decay:
> Princes and lords may flourish or may fade;
> A breath can make them, as a breath has made:
> But a bold peasantry, their country's pride,
> When once destroyed, can never be supplied.

This is the most gentle of Irishmen's view of England and English rule in the late 18th century. Both Swift and Goldsmith were writing in the century before the potato famine, which the Irish quite reasonably regard as an act of genocide by negligence, for which the British Government and Civil Service of the mid-19th century were responsible.

In the late 19th century there is a similar contrast between the severe condemnation of the English ruling class in Shaw's plays and the gentle mockery of Wilde. Lady Bracknell seems to be a figure of fun, yet in real life she would have been altogether odious, a mean-minded, pompous, callous snob, greedy for money, arrogant and a bully. She is an Irish playwright's portrait of Britannia. When we laugh at her, we are, from the Irish point of view, laughing at our own historic monstrosity.

These great Irish authors, all of whom were involved in English culture and English life, bear a cultural witness to the history of British rule in Ireland. As they are inside the English way of life, they can help to give us an insight into the inherited attitudes of modern Ireland, in the North, in the South and among Irish Americans.

We usually think of Britain as carrying out a responsible and unpleasant duty in Northern Ireland, intended only to keep an imperfect peace between two hostile Irish communities. We think that we should be trusted because our motives are altruistic; we are risking the lives of our young soldiers as a peacekeeping force, without benefit to ourselves. All of this has much truth in it, but it is not seen that way by the great majority of the Irish or indeed by most of the rest of the world.

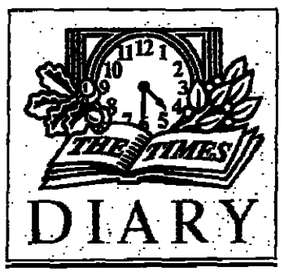
Because the Anglo-Irish contribution to English culture has been so important, the English — and in this matter it is the English who count — can learn some uncomfortable truths from it. The first is that the Irish, Catholic or Protestant, though they may sometimes admire England, neither love us nor trust us. The historic Irish attitude towards English dominance is subversive; in our literature it has often taken the form of the ridicule of the oppressed for the oppressor. This makes the present British role as the peacekeeping power much more difficult. If anything the Protestant community trusts us even less than the Catholic, though many Protestants support the union in their own self-interest. The so-called "loyalist" terrorists are loyal to Britain only in a technical sense.

This triangular rivalry of cultures goes far back into history. The latest Troubles have now lasted for 25 years, but the conflict between the Catholic and Protestant interests in Ireland is more than 400 years old, older than the earliest English colonies in North America. The conflicts between North and South in Ireland go back even to the pre-Christian period when the Irish Celts were still, so confusingly, called the Scots. Whom did Conn of the Hundred Battles score his century against? His fellow Irishmen. One may find this ancient Celtic culture, with its 3,000 years of politics, war, poetry and spirituality, very exciting, but it has certainly always been very quarrelsome.

British policy is determined by our national conviction that anything else would be worse. British Governments believe that the two Irish communities are so hostile to each other that the alternative to the British presence, with its two or three hundred casualties a year, might be ethnic cleansing.

That could cause tens of thousands of casualties, and would almost certainly destroy the moderate democracy of Dublin. British Governments may well be correct in holding this pessimistic view, but they have to carry out the policy not as the hereditary guarantor of Irish peace, but as the hereditary oppressor, economic, political and cultural. We need to understand that.

Tory party line



AS IF a fresh-faced Labour leader with a halo isn't enough, the Tory hierarchy is facing, I hear, a catastrophe of mind-boggling proportions. For it looks as if Jeffrey Archer means to carry out his threat to scratch his famous Krug and shepherd's pie parties at this October's party conference.

Nobody quite believed him before the reshuffle when he mumbled about going into semi-retreat if a job was not forthcoming. But a confidant assures me: "He doesn't see why he should spend thousands of pounds any more on some of these people." A spokesman for Bournemouth's Swallow Highcliff Hotel, the main conference venue, reports: "Lord Archer hasn't booked a suite here for a party."

His withdrawal comes hard since the demise of ebullient Lord Hesketh's alternative bash. While two autumns ago, Hesketh's Pol Roger and seafood was gastronomically superior — as PHS can testify — a Maastricht spat a few floors below between Kenneth Clarke and Lord Tebbit elevated Archer's bash to top billing.

The bright spot for those who interpret Tory "party" literally may be Maurice Saatchi, chairman of the party's advertising agency. He entered the arena modestly in 1992 when eclipsed by Archer and Hesketh. This autumn, he may win promotion to the top spot with *The Saatchi Party* (the italics are his). All he needs is the PM, a mix of Cabinet ministers with differing views, the odd *contretemps* . . .

Bishop's move

THAT MOST outspoken of church leaders, the Rt Rev David Jenkins, just refuses to retire gracefully. He may have handed in his bishop's mitre at Durham but he has secured a new ecclesiastical post to guarantee him a pulpit for years yet. He's been made honorary assistant bishop in Ripon. The Jenkins rural retreat in Yorkshire qualifies him for the honorific post. He will be installed with due pomp in November at Ripon Cathedral.

After a decade of shooting from the hip ("disestablishment is inevitable", Thatcherism is "evil", spring to mind), Church House takes a charitable view of the prospect of more Jenkinsisms. "It's unlikely that Dr Jenkins would have stopped talking anyway," sighs a spokesman. "But we are all pleased he will still be busy".

On the margin

THE MORE cynical may assume that John Major's anointing of Stephen Dorrell as his preferred successor as Tory leader, as reported yesterday, will turn out to be the kiss of death. In fact the erudite and amiable new Heritage Secretary will not be going anywhere politically unless he first surmounts a formidable hurdle. For his Loughborough seat looks certain to go Labour in the next election thanks to boundary changes.

Dorrell confides to friends that he's putting himself forward for the delightful "true blue" pastures of Charnwood, the new Leicestershire seat. "But he can't take it for granted," says a sceptical activist. "He'll just have to take his chances along with other candidates — and you know what some of these Tory selection folk are like." So, watch out for a sudden Dorrell enthusiasm for fox-hunting.

● *A smile on the craggy face of retired Flying Squad chief, Jack Slipper. Slipper of the Yard notes that the man he hunted for more than 20 years, train robber Ronnie Biggs, turned 65 last week. "Obviously he'll be thinking about how he could have been getting a couple of hundred pounds a month legitimately, so he has lost out for once," chuckles Slipper from his Middlesex home. "And he might have been entitled to some cheap travel . . . on the railways."*



Custom stripe

GLASNOST is even reaching the Royal Horticultural Society's summer show, which opens at Westminster tomorrow. For the organisers whisper about the most magnificient clematis being flown in from Latvia and Estonia, as I write. Aivars Irbe and his daughter Ilge will today bedazzle Customs & Excise with specimens of Roko-Kolla, white with a yellow stripe, and Negrityank, a deep purple flower with red stamens.

International Clematis Society officials unearthed their extraordinary popularity while in the region last year. "All these gardens had row after row," swoons ICS member Jean Sambrook. "They just glow in the sun — huge things, many with crimpled edges, some with stripes."

Trust worthy

LORD SCARSDALE's opinions of the National Trust functionaries who run his family home, Kedleston Hall, near Derby, are blunt. The words "high-handed", "arrogant" and "sacrilege" have been bandied about. Yet his lordship's younger son James, reared in that epitome of British neo-classicism, works for the self-same body.

"He's been on work experience with them for four months at Polesden Lacey in Surrey," confides the blue-blooded *pater*. Happily James Curzon, 23, who recently gained a 2:1 in history of art at Edinburgh University, is on better terms with them than his father.

"He says the historic building officials are terribly nice and amenable," admits Scarsdale. "Obviously there are regional variations."





● *Just everything he touches turns to gold. So it is no surprise to learn that Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber's debut in the bloodstock market, stimulated by his ex-eventer wife Madeleine Gurdon (above), looks likely to be another money-spinner. As the first crop of yearlings from his Watership Down Stud are curycombed in preparation for the auction ring, an insider tells me to watch out for bids "of more than £300,000" for one Webber colt by the prolific sire Sadler's Wells (pictured).*

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TOO LONG A SACRIFICE

Reflections after 25 years of the Troubles

Twenty-five years ago, the first British troops arrived in Derry to keep the peace after riots in which six people died and 300 houses burnt. Two days later, more soldiers were deployed in Belfast. Few can have suspected then that the Army would still be pacing the streets of Ulster a quarter of a century later, or that their principal task in 1994 would be to fight a highly organised republican terrorist organisation.

This anniversary has evoked poignant memories of these long years of adversity; of Ulster's sufferings; and of the courage of those who have protected its people. Over the weekend, thousands of republicans marched in the streets of Belfast in protest against the soldiers. In Bognor and Brighton, the IRA renewed its campaign of violence with bombs packed in bicycles. At such moments, Northern Ireland seems a helpless captive of history. In 1929, Churchill famously observed that the quarrel between "the dreary steeples of Fermanagh and Tyrone" was "one of the few institutions that have been unaltered in the cataclysm which has swept the world". That quarrel is unaltered still today. Yet it is wrong to abandon a nation because of its history, as some would do. Those who care about Ulster must ask what has changed since 1969 — and what can be done over the next 25 years.

The most striking development since the troops arrived has been the emergence of the modern IRA as a sophisticated and ruthless terrorist organisation. Its campaign in the province between 1956 and 1962 achieved little; the early civil rights activists claimed that IRA stood for "I Ran Away". Yet civil rights campaigning was soon overtaken by a cold-blooded, highly co-ordinated form of terrorism which has taken a grievous toll.

In the last 25 years, more than 3,000 people have died violently as a result of the Troubles; there have been almost 1,000 explosions. The British criminal justice system has been stretched to the limit. Irish terrorism has become the principal concern of MI5. More than 17,000 British troops are deployed in Ulster. More than £3 billion a year is spent on the province. Many in Britain have come to resent this burden; others feel, rightly, that a nation cannot pick and choose which parts of itself to support and protect.

What has united Britons is an inability to resolve the problems of the province. Regrettably, the failure of selective internment in the early 1970s postponed serious discussion of other security options. Devolution to a representative forum was tried without success in the early 1980s. Since then, Anglo-Irish diplomacy has been the bedrock of British policy in the province. Last year's Downing Street declaration strengthened the intimate links between the two governments which were forged in the Anglo-Irish Agreement nine years ago. The most notable result of this diplomatic approach has been to exaggerate the significance of Sinn Fein.

There is no high road to peace in Ulster, nor an obvious constitutional solution. The best prospect for the province remains its people. On the Unionist side, a new tranche of moderates led by David Trimble and David Burnside is emerging; on the nationalist side, there are many SDLP politicians who privately disagree with the pact between their leader, John Hume, and Sinn Fein. The new generation of Ulster politicians must focus upon the promised administrative assembly as a first tentative step towards the development of a mature political culture. They may fail. Yet their successors will assume the burden and try again. Until then, British soldiers must continue to pace the streets of Belfast, in the dark shadow of the steeples.

AFTER WÖRNER

Nato needs a similarly forceful and courageous successor

With the death of Manfred Wörner, Nato has lost more than a Secretary-General. Since the end of the Cold War, and more especially since the arrival of the Clinton Administration, his intellect, experience and force of personality have masked the erosion of Washington's willingness to play its traditional role as Nato's political sheet-anchor. The US may be tempted to leave the search for his successor to the Europeans. Britain, France and Germany have a clear responsibility to ensure that Washington is fully involved. Nato is by no means solidly assured of its future direction. Any repetition of the farce surrounding the Delors succession would be an indefensible strategic folly.

When Herr Wörner, a noted hawk, took office in 1988, Nato armies still filled the north German plain and its missiles were aimed at a clearly defined enemy, the Warsaw Pact. Since 1989, his muscular and authoritative defence of Nato's core duty of providing common security has been an indispensable basis for the Alliance's efforts to redefine its mission — indispensable, because the perspective of Western politicians has been distorted by domestic pressure to cut military budgets. This insistence on the vital importance of Nato's continued credibility as a military alliance was evidence not of a "Cold War mentality", but of a forward-looking strategic cast of mind.

Herr Wörner believed, passionately, that the Cold War's abatement created an opportunity, denied to previous generations, to create lasting peace in Europe. Hence his exasperation at the politicians' indecisiveness over former Yugoslavia: Nato, he said bluntly at the height of the transatlantic quarrels over Bosnia last year, had the tools with which to project stability to its south and east and "would have no excuse" if it failed. As a German, he also understood better than most that Nato must remain relevant to Germany's preoccupations with stability in Central Europe, its "near abroad", or lose ground gradually to a resurgence of the balance of power politics that have been Europe's historical bane.

These considerations informed his efforts to modernise Nato and equip it to operate outside the Nato area, and within broader political frameworks such as the United Nations. The task is far from complete. The core of Nato's new strategic concept, the Allied Rapid Reaction Corps, is some way from a convincing state of readiness. The Partnerships for Peace with Russia and Eastern Europe — which Herr Wörner defended as the nearest "in real life" the West was prepared to go to fill the security vacuum — are still untried. In Bosnia, the fuzziness of Nato's command-sharing with the UN is a vivid and continual embarrassment.

Despite Herr Wörner's long fight with cancer, the Allies seem unprepared with a successor. That could be turned to opportunity. Too many of the names in current circulation are walking wounded from the Delors skirmish. Governments should decide now that the Nato job is not a consolation prize, and then open the field to an open contest of ideas. Nato needs a political heavy-weight to whom Washington, in particular, will listen. But that is not all. If publics are to support the spending without which Nato will be hollowed out, they must be convinced that it is a power they can trust, able to grapple convincingly with the crises that worry them — such as the fighting in Bosnia. No Nato Secretary-General can undertake that task without political, and military, backing. But this is a symbiotic process. Herr Wörner has been a rod for governments' backs. They must choose another, not a pallid bureaucrat.

ACCOUNTANCY IN STONES

Even cathedrals can use better management and managers

The English are justly proud of their Church of England cathedrals. They transcend doctrinal rivalries, embodying English spirituality. But as a special investigation by *The Times* has discovered, the public is reluctant to pay for the upkeep of their fabric.

Visitors donate on average a few pence each at many cathedrals, yet admission charges are frowned upon. Many wealthy families who once acted as patrons have neither the cash nor the inclination these days, yet some senior cathedral clergy remain squeamish about pursuing commerce for cash. Meanwhile, the Church Commissioners, busy with their own financial crisis, are to cut cathedral grants by almost a sixth next year.

The State, through English Heritage, does now provide some money. But in the context of a national spending review, pleas for more are unlikely to be heard kindly, especially when there appears to be a lack of accountability in the management of these large institutions. In the 1990s cathedrals will need an estimated £185 million for repairs. Fresh remedies are called for.

For hundreds of years clergy have been left to manage cathedrals with scarcely more than their varying ancient statutes, albeit revised in the late 1960s, to limit their ambitions. This has preserved the wonderful diversity of the 43 cathedrals, each of which has been allowed to develop its own ministry. But it has also exacerbated their financial difficulties by preventing clergy from adopting modern management techniques appropriate to organisations of their size and significance. Some cathedrals are foundering as other-worldly clergy who hold their jobs for life are locked in seemingly irreconcilable battles with each other.

Small wonder, then, that the deans and provosts asked for a commission to examine the future of cathedrals, their government and support. That commission, chaired by Lady Howe, is due to report soon. Cathedral clergy have taken the opportunity to lobby the commission. Many recognise that organisations that fail to demonstrate clear accountability to an appropriate centre of authority are unlikely to attract substantial funding from any source. They have asked for a permanent new cathedrals advisory body which would report to the General Synod on their activities, finances and effectiveness. This would give potential donors greater confidence.

A smaller group recognises that cathedrals do not need just new management systems, they may need new managers. It must become possible to remove incompetents who are currently protected by the clergy freehold which guarantees them jobs until the end of their working lives. There may also be a greater role for lay officers with business experience. Sir Michael Colman has injected badly needed mustard into the disastrous financial affairs of the commissioners. It is time to apply similar dressing to the fabric of England's cathedrals.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Stony path towards justice for troubled fishing industry

From Mr M. B. F. Ranken

Sir, Two Cornish vessels have been required to return home because inspectors from Royal Navy fishery protection vessels wrongly suspected them of using nets longer than the legal limit of 2.5 km. Two Spanish vessels sent home were using nets more than 2½ times the permitted length (report, August 12). Surely all drift nets should be checked on the quayside, preferably by fishery inspectors, before ships go to sea.

Fishermen have lost a lot of money unjustly, and the protection vessels are seen to have been distracted from their centuries-old first duty, to protect British fishermen.

Inevitably events as they developed diverted attention from the unacceptable behaviour of a reckless horde of Spanish vessels, ostensibly intent on preventing foreign boats from employing a more productive fishing method than their own traditional poles and lines. That has cost some Cornish boats their very expensive gear, the need to return to port to buy new nets, and the loss of several valuable days' fishing during a short season; it has deterred others from going to sea until they felt sure of RN protection.

No international regime applies under the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea 1982, which comes into force on November 16. International law declares inter alia that "All States have the right for their nationals to engage in fishing on the high seas" (art. 116), but subject to the duty of each state to apply necessary conservation measures to them. States "shall ... co-operate to establish subregional ... fisheries organizations to this end" (art. 118). This has not so far been attempted beyond the normal 200 nautical miles fishing limits; therefore states have jurisdiction there only over vessels flying their own flags, and that has to be exercised by warships.

Regional co-operation on the high seas has seldom proved effective and UN negotiations in New York, reconvening on Monday, aim to provide full jurisdiction over highly migratory species, among others.

Whatever the outcome, there is an immediate need for the fishing nations concerned — France, Ireland, Spain and ourselves — to co-operate to regulate this fishery, irrespective of flag.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL RANKEN (Secretary, Parliamentary Maritime Group),
44 Castelnau Mansions,
Barnes, SW13.
August 12.

From Professor Alan Day

Sir, Your leading article ("Fishing for sense", August 9) rightly considers that in a loose-knit Community, without any federal executive bodies such as an EC "fish police", centrally-determined rules will not be enforced with uniform rigour. It is an understandable reaction to argue that where rules and national self-interest are in conflict, we should try to protect our own interests. But that is a sure way to a collapse of any rule of law.

If central rules, whether on fishing, immigration, farm subsidies or labour conditions, were administered by a Community-controlled executive rather than by national civil servants two results would follow. First, such rules as had been agreed would be enforced more equitably and efficiently. Secondly, governments would be much more restrained in their willingness to approve central rules if they knew someone else would be enforcing them.

Paradoxically, the solution to the problem of subsidiarity to which you refer could lie in an increase in one aspect of central power, by creating a central bureaucracy to enforce whatever rules had been agreed. I confidently predict that in such a European federation there would be far fewer centrally-imposed rules than today, and that the rules that survived would enjoy far more justification.

Yours faithfully,
ALAN DAY,
Chart Place, Chart, Sutton, Kent.
August 9.

From Vice-Admiral Sir Ian McGeoch

Sir, The phrase "the extraordinary otherness of maritime life" in your leading article may explain, but does nothing to condone, the almost total ignorance of and indifference to the sea around us exhibited by the British people today and their political leaders.

For at least two decades the application of modern technology, subsidised by governments, has led ever faster towards the extinction of many species of edible fish in the waters of our region. Prime ministers and their secretaries of state for foreign affairs, defence and trade and industry, as well as agriculture, fisheries and food, have consistently failed to cope with this threat to our national life.

Yours faithfully,
IAN McGEOCH,
Southerns, Castle Hedingham,
Halstead, Essex.
August 9.

From Mrs C. R. Maclagan

Sir, With all the controversy over the length of fishing nets, has no one stopped to think that nets 1½ miles long in total will cause devastation in the oceans? Fishermen who now say the fish in coastal waters have vanished, will repeat their cry in the world's oceans.

Nature gives abundantly but cannot keep up with the wasteful greed of man.

Yours truly,
TINA MACLAGAN,
22 Silver Street,
Glastonbury, Somerset.

From Ms Elaine Fullard

Sir, The dwindling fish stocks and the battles at sea raise concerns for those of us promoting a healthier diet, particularly in reducing heart disease and strokes.

The recommendation for people to eat two portions of fish per week (report, August 10) is a key ingredient for health. Is it not possible to expand fish farming to maintain catches while reducing environmental damage caused by indiscriminate "hunter-gathering" at sea?

Yours etc,
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The preservation of battlefields

From Mr Alan Hopkins

Sir, Your recent series on the battlefields of Britain (August 1-6; letters, August 6) was a most worthy and illuminating contribution towards highlighting the neglect and indifference with which we, as a nation, treat these important historical sites.

Battlefields, however, would be more clearly seen and understood if the land were returned to meadow, heath or moorland, where undeveloped. There are many sites which could be restored to an approximation of how they looked in former centuries. It is impossible to envisage a battle in a field of winter wheat or oilseed rape. With open heath or meadow it is a different matter.

The financial arrangements that have been introduced in order to protect the landscape and species diversity of farmland within designated Environmentally Sensitive Areas could serve as role model for battle sites currently on private land.

In recent years ecologists have greatly improved our understanding of vegetation and techniques for habitat reconstruction. Where better to put such knowledge into practice than on our battlefields?

Yours etc,
ALAN HOPKINS,
9 Brownings Mead,
Dunsford, Devon.
August 8.

From Mr Michael Thompson

Sir, The issue on battlefields has always been not desirability of their preservation but the practicability of doing so. Unlike the battles of the American Civil War where there is step by step documentation and until recently survivors in nearly all cases, for English battles before 1700 the record is too imprecise to allow a detailed location.

You could end up by leading the public into a blank field and saying Battle X was fought on this spot and not in either of the adjoining fields because the Secretary of State says so.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL THOMPSON,
2 Offa Lea, Newton, Cambridge.
August 7.

From M Jean-Claude Mougnibas

Sir, As a French academic having just spent some time in England doing research on the beginnings of your system of architectural protection, I was interested in the plans to list the sites of the main English battlefields (article, August 1).

One can only be struck by the similarities which exist between the situation in 1994 and what it was more than a hundred years ago. Sir John Lubbock, Liberal MP for Maidstone, whose initiative led to the Ancient Monuments Act 1882, had been reacting in exactly the same way against the destruction of prehistoric sites, as railway lines or houses were being built.

There was one important difference, though. Preservation was far from being taken for granted in those days. It took Sir John Lubbock's Bill nine years to become law.

Yours faithfully,
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From Mr Henry W. Burke

Sir, You draw attention to the neglect of battlefields (leading article, August 1) and suggest ways in which this might be addressed.

A few weeks ago I visited the battlefields of Gallipoli. Aware as I was of the general outline of the campaign I was totally unprepared for the beauty of the countryside and the restrained and thoughtful way in which the area is maintained.

The peninsula is designated by the Turkish government as a National Park. There are the monuments, of course, and then there are the cemeteries. But there is no development. There are no shops, no cafés and no interpretation centre. What can and should be tended is tended. All else is quietly beautiful countryside, the scars of war long gone.

The sensitive way in which the balance is maintained is greatly to the credit of the Turkish nation and could well serve as a model for the reassessment of the battlefields of Britain.

Yours faithfully,
HENRY W. BURKE,
Le Jardin Mure, Northdale,
St Ouen, Jersey, Channel Islands.
August 4.

From Mr David Campbell

Sir, Your battlefields series prompted criticism from Mr Iain Gardner (letter, August 6) for your failure to include any battles fought by "the greatest military tactician and finest general ever to command an army or armies in Britain ... James Graham, Marquis of Montrose".

Mr Gardner has surely missed the point of the series which seemed to me to deal with those battlefields "where the future has been forged through bloodshed".

Whatever the abilities of Montrose his campaigns were surely an irrelevance to the final result of the Civil War and as such were correctly excluded from your series.

Yours sincerely,
DAVID CAMPBELL,
19 Clearsprings,
Lightwater, Surrey.
August 6.

A missing voice

From Mr Edward Rayner

Sir, Although Mr Enoch Powell ("Aligned with the IRA", August 10) stresses that the majority of the Northern Ireland electorate has consistently chosen to remain part of the United Kingdom, he does not explain why the remainder of the UK electorate is not given an opportunity to express its opinion.

Yours sincerely,
EDWARD RAYNER,
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Langton Green,
Tunbridge Wells, Kent.
August 11.

Words on tombstones

From Canon John Rutherford

Sir, A church court has ruled that a family cannot use the words "dad" and "grandad" on a gravestone (letter, August 11). What would Jesus think? He refers to God as "abba", the very familiar word in Aramaic recorded in St Mark xiv, 36. "Abba" might well be translated "daddy".

A few years ago at a bathing place on the Sea of Galilee I heard young children calling their father "abba". If Jesus could so address God in a time of great stress, surely "dad" and "grandad" are not inappropriate on a gravestone? Should not the Church come down a little more to the grass-roots?

Yours faithfully,
JOHN RUTHERFORD,
Jalla Halli,
Hinderclay, Diss, Norfolk.
August 11.

Cricket and clergy

From the Reverend S. J. G. Seamer

Sir, Canon Ivor Davies (letter, August 4) has suggested my name as clerical mentor for the England cricket team. Regrettably, my only possible claim to fame on the cricket scene is that I once had a school friend who was a nephew of the MCC President, Dennis Silk.

Rather than seek help across the Channel the team could look nearer home. How about Canon David Creaser, of Otley, West Yorkshire, or Canon David Pitcher, of Woodbridge, Suffolk — or as a back-up the Reverend Edward Lobb, of Burton-on-Trent?

All this only goes to show the ill-advised dismissal of Andrew Wingfield-Digby (report, June 7) as chaplain to the team. Recent publicity must now give added impact to Job's words (xlii, 6): "I ... repent in dust and ashes". What we have we do not want and what we do not have we want. Reinstate your chaplain, Mr Illingworth.

Yours faithfully,
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August 9.

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Oxfordshire's future

From Councillor H. B. Cundall

Sir, The statement (letter, August 8) that breaking up Oxfordshire into three separate councils "would mean the fragmentation of the school system and the social and emergency services" is unrealistic. Schools are now self-governing and largely independent under local management, and further education is run by the Department of Education. What is left of the local education authority in Oxfordshire is administered through five divisions and the social services through three, largely coinciding with the proposed unitary authority boundaries. The police authority is a three-county organisation.

The basic fallacy is that because history has left us with a county organisation, any other size of organisation must be wrong.

The second fallacy is that preserving the present two tiers — one county and five district councils — has wide popular support. My experience, not only in Oxfordshire, is that very few people know that there are two tiers of local government, let alone what each does; even fewer know who their councillors are and, if they do, which council they're on.

If you ask people who know nothing about the present system, and have never had the interest to find out whether they think it should be changed, the answer is bound to be "no". That is the measure of the "popular support" for the status quo.

A better, more efficient and less costly system, which will be much simpler to understand, with councillors answerable for and able to influence every aspect of local government, depends upon the Local Government Commission's recommendation of unitary authorities.

Yours etc,
HUGH CUNDALL,
The Old Swan,
25 Preston Crowmarsh,
Wallingford, Oxfordshire.
August 11.

From the Leader of Oxford City Council and others

Sir, As leaders of the four district councils in Oxfordshire, we fully support the Local Government Commission's draft recommendations to split the country into three and do not share the concern expressed in the letter you published that reorganisation conceals a hidden agenda by the Government to weaken local democracy. We fervently believe that a unitary structure in Oxfordshire will strengthen local democracy, making it more accountable and better able to respond to local needs. It will reduce bureaucracy and lessen confusion as to who does what in the present two-tier system, and it represents the best solution for residents, businesses and organisations in this area.

All the district councils would face abolition under the commission's preferred option for Oxfordshire. The so-called strategic services provided by the county council would be adequately controlled by authorities of the size of the merged South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse councils.

The proposed new unitary authorities would be based on areas with distinct community identities and staffed by professionals from the existing county and district councils. Their unified voice would be listened to in Whitehall and Brussels.

The cost of reorganisation would be more than repaid by the benefits of bringing all the services within a unitary area. Critics have failed to mention that the restructuring proposals would produce long-term annual savings.

Yours faithfully,
W. J. BAKER
(Leader, Oxford City Council),
TERRY COX (Leader,
Vale of White Horse District Council),
ANN DUCKER (Leader,
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D. L. B. SPENSER
(Leader, Cherwell District Council),
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St Aldates, Oxford.

Flummery-free FCO

From The Minister of State, Foreign & Commonwealth Office

Sir, In his article, "Britain should show its Spurs" (August 6), Simon Jenkins presents a caricature of what British diplomacy is about.

His suggestion that last week the Foreign Office was giving priority to how many ambassadors should drive a Rolls-Royce is baseless. The Rolls-Royce issue did not come to my attention once. The real priorities were Bosnia, Rwanda and half a dozen other international issues of the moment.

His argument that the FCO's "8,000 diplomatic staff" are over-qualified could only be sustained if they were doing the work described by Mr Jenkins.

The reality is different: at home and abroad we have some 6,000 diplomats; their priorities are the security and prosperity of the United Kingdom and the promotion and protection of British interests overseas.

Mr Jenkins thinks half the routine work of an embassy could be done by local staff or officials commuting from London. In the majority of our overseas posts more than half the staff are local and do most of the routine work. The idea that officials should fly around the world to do routine embassy work would be unlikely to survive a brief period of serious analysis.

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Yours etc,
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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
August 13: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh left Heathrow Airport, London, today to visit Canada.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received at the airport by the Earl of Airlie, KT (Lord Chamberlain), Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Greater London (Field Marshal the Lord Bramall, KG), Mr Serge April (Acting High Commissioner for Canada), Brigadier General Darrell Dean (Commander, Canadian Defence Liaison Staff) and Mr Michael Roberts (Managing Director, Heathrow Airport).

The following are in attendance: the Lady Farnham, the Lady Susan Hussey, the Rt Hon Sir Robert Fellowes, Major-General Gaston Cloutier, Sir Kenneth Scott, Mr Charles Anson, Surgeon Captain David Swain, Air Commodore the Hon Timothy Elworthy, Lieutenant-Colonel Paul Dionne and Sir Brian McGrath.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
August 13: The Duke of York left Heathrow Airport, London, this afternoon for Nice, France.

Captain Neil Blair, RN, and Captain David Thompson are in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
August 13: The Prince Edward, President, the Commonwealth Games Federation, left Heathrow Airport, London, this afternoon for Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sean O'Dwyer is in attendance.

Birthdays today

The Princess Royal celebrates her 44th birthday today.

Mr Robert Bolt, playwright, 70; Lord Burnham, 63; Sir Charles Carter, former Vice-Chancellor, Lancaster University, 75; Mr David Coleman, former president, Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, 55; Mr Edmund Dell, former MP, 73; Dr Hans Feibusch, mural painter, 96; Mr James Flecker, headmaster, Ardingly College, 55; Dame Wendy Hiller, actress, 82; Miss Rita Hunter, soprano, 61; Lord Ingrow, 77; Mr Jack Lynch, former Prime Minister, Republic of Ireland, 77; Mr Edward McMillan-Scott, MEP, 45; Sir Patrick Nairne, former Master, St Catherine's College, Oxford, 73; Sir Kenneth Newman, former Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, 68; Major-General Kenneth Perkins, 68; Mr Oscar Peterson, jazz pianist, 69; Mr Justice Popplewell, 67; Professor Sir Leon Radzinowicz, criminologist, 88; Lady Jean Rankin, former Woman of the Bedchamber to Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, 89; Mr Martin Redmond, MP, 57; Professor Sir Michael Rutter, psychiatrist, 61; Viscount Selby, 52; Air Vice-Marshal Sir John Severne, former Captain of The Queen's Flight, 69; Captain Richard Smyly, racehorse trainer, 41; Lord Justice Steyn, 62; the Hon William Waldegrave, Minister of Agriculture Fisheries and Food, 48; Sir Kenneth Warren, aeronautical engineer, 68; Air Marshal Sir William Wratten, 55.

Royal visits

The Prince of Wales will visit Los Angeles from November 1 to 4, and will visit Hong Kong from November 5 to 8.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Luigi Pulci, poet, Florence, 1432; Robert Blake, admiral, Bridgwater, Somerset, 1599; Jeremy Taylor, theologian, Cambridge, 1613; Napoleon Bonaparte, emperor of France, Ajaccio, Corsica, 1769; Sir Walter Scott, novelist and poet, Edinburgh, 1771; Thomas de Quincy, writer, Manchester, 1785; Sir Henry Maine, jurist and historian, Roxburgh, 1822; Walter Crane, illustrator, Liverpool, 1845; James Keir Hardie, Chairman of the Independent Labour Party 1893-1900 and 1913-14, Lanark, 1856; Samuel Coleridge-Taylor, poet, London, 1875; Ethel Barrymore, actress, Philadelphia, 1879; Sir Peter Buck, Maori politician, Urenui, New Zealand, 1880; Sir Montague Burton, multiple tailor, Sheffield, 1885; Edna Ferber, novelist, Kalamazoo, Michigan, 1887; T.E. Lawrence, (Lawrence of Arabia), Tremadoc, 1888; Thomas Mboya, statesman, Kenya, 1930.

DEATHS: Macbeth, King of Scotland 1040-57, killed, Lumphanan, Aberdeen, 1057; Robert Stephen Hawker, poet, Plymouth, 1875; John Frederick Lewis, painter, Walton-on-Thames, 1876; Joseph Joachim, violinist and composer, Berlin, 1907; Paul Signac, painter, pioneer of Pointillism, Paris, 1935; Rene Magritte, surrealist painter, Brussels, 1967.

The Tivoli Pleasure Gardens opened in Copenhagen, 1843.

The Panama Canal opened, 1914.

The Marine Broadcasting Act came into force, outlawing pirate radio stations in British waters, 1967.

The three-day Woodstock Music and Art Fair began on a dairy farm at Bethel in upstate New York, 1969.

Nature notes

THE wheat is ripe, and combine harvesters are busy. Coveys of partridges gather to feed at the edge of the fields, where the grass is still long and there are a few uncut cornstalks left. Some farmers are already *ploughing and harrowing* where the barley stood earlier: rooks and jackdaws flock to the freshly-turned soil. Yellowhammers are feeding on scattered seeds on dusty roads. The bright yellow head of the male is turning more streaky. Young herons are fishing with their parents. Sometimes you can see as many as a dozen standing motionless in a shallow pool.

The pink flowers of restharrow form mats on the field verges. The sparkling flowers of traveller's joy sprawl over the hedges: the pink and white trumpets of small bindweed twine round



The jackdaw

other plants and often kill them. The hooks on the burdock seed-heads begin to catch in clothes and the fur of animals, while balls of goosegrass seeds cling to socks and fall into shoes. There are still bramble flowers among the ripening blackberries, some of which are ready to eat: among the many insects crowding around the flowers are gatekeeper butterflies and bright greenbottles. *DJM*



The Queen sews a stitch into a tapestry assisted by Pam Lunnonof of Canadian Heritage during a demonstration in Halifax, Nova Scotia. The Queen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, is on her sixteenth visit to Canada

Appointments in the Forces

Royal Navy & Royal Marines
CAPTAIN: R W Ditchfield - Shrivenham 9.12.94; B A L Goldman - Staff of FOSF 2.12.94
COMMANDER: D R D Teer - Staff of CINCFLEET 7.10.94
SURGEON COMMANDER (D): D A Leighton-Goodall - Nelson 6.9.94
CHAPLAIN: J O Morris - Staff of FOSF Devonport 01.11.94
Retirements
SURGEON CAPTAIN: E P Dewar - 29.10.94
SURGEON COMMANDER: I F Geraghty - 29.10.94

The Army
BRIGADIER: W R Short - To be Comd Med HQ UKLF, 19.8.94
LIEUTENANT-COLONELS: B Armitage RA - To HQ Chilwell Station, 15.8.94; S J P Clifton AGC(ETS)-To RAS, 21.8.94; M W B Faulkner RDG - to be CO RDG, 16.8.94; C Greasley AGC(ALS) - to HQ BF CYPRUS, 15.8.94; N K P Hope R SIGNALS - To HQ UKLF, 15.8.94; P J T Maggs RLC - To MOD, 15.8.94; A M McPherson REME - To be CO 7 Bn REME: 16.8.94; G A Middlemiss KOSB - to FG & IMRO(N), 15.8.94; D P Roberts RLC - to MOD, 15.8.94; W R Rollo RHG/D - To be CO Household Cavalry Regt, 15.8.94; R F Rutherford R SIGNALS - To MOD, 15.8.94; M Smith RGJ - To MOD, 15.8.94; M J Wright AGC(ETS) - To AG Corps TrgCen 15.8.94; W Bonnici RAMC -To 24 (Airmob) Fd Amb, 15.8.94.
Retirement
COLONEL: A G Witheridge Late 15/19H, 16.8.94

Royal Air Force
WING COMMANDER: G V Goodsell - To RAF Brize Norton 25.7.94; S L Parkinson - to 31 Sqn Bruggen 1.8.94; C J Lawrence To 42(R) Sqn / Nimrod Ocu 1.8.94; J C Vincent - To 100 Sqn Finningley 2.8.94; C G Morfew - To HQ AFNORTHWEST 8.8.94; C B Hyde - Cde Porton Down 15.8.94

Homes from Mesolithic era found

BY NORMAN HAMMOND, ARCHAEOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

SOME of the largest Mesolithic houses in Britain, dating from before the beginning of farming villages six thousand years ago, have been found in southwest Scotland.

The discovery, dated to between 8,000 and 4,000 BC by characteristic flint tools, belies the view that Mesolithic gatherers and hunters were nomads who lived in tents.

The site, at Kirkhill near Lockerbie, revealed deep foundation trenches a foot wide of three rectangular buildings 16 by 7ft. Tony Pollard of Glasgow University said that the trenches could have held walls made of posts or planks, with stone packing.

A large "burnt mound" lies near by. Such cooking sites have until now not been dated to earlier than the Bronze Age, several thousand years later than the Kirkhill site.

Kirkhill is one of several recent discoveries, including Loch Doon in Strathclyde and Elginhaugh in Lothian, which indicate that the Mesolithic peoples of Scotland did not confine themselves to the coasts and islands. On Islay, in the Hebrides, however, another Mesolithic site has been found, where stone toolmaking seems to have been accompanied by children.

The Coulererach site, on the western coast, was a "knapping floor" where beach pebbles were fractured to make tools similar to those from Kirkhill. Some of the tools were incompetently made, according to Dr Steven Mithen of Reading University.

"They can only have been picked off the beach by someone with no experience at all, such as a child. They were letting their children learn the craft," he said.

☐ Source: *British Archaeological News* 10:2.

Priory drawings saved for nation

BY JOHN SHAW

A COLLECTION of 51 architectural drawings of Nostell Priory near Wakefield, West Yorkshire, has been acquired for the nation.

The archive was accepted in lieu of £79,093 inheritance tax on the estate of the late Lord St Oswald who died in December 1984. The house is now the property of the National Trust.

The drawings were by James Paine and Robert Adam, the celebrated 18th-century architects. The house was furnished by Thomas Chippendale and two drawings are attributed to him, one for a pedimented bureau and the other for a Palladian cabinet.

Nostell Priory was laid out by Paine for Sir Rowland Winn in about 1765. Chippendale was a Yorkshireman and the Winn family was one of his earliest patrons.

Adam's work dates from the early 1770s. His designs demonstrate the elegant classical style that revolutionised English interior decoration at the time. The house retains many of these original features. Keeping the drawings at the house was a condition of the settlement.

The in lieu provisions have saved many similar country house treasures and the Museums and Galleries Commission is to keep its advisory role in administering the scheme.

The decision, announced in an overlooked parliamentary answer last month, removes uncertainty about its consultancy role which many in the arts and heritage world believed was threatened by the Government.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr N. Barrett and Miss J. Taylor
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of Mr and Mrs D. Barrett, of London, and Jacqueline, daughter of Mr and Mrs F. Taylor, of Newmarket.

Mr N.T.D. Benson and Miss C.L. Cheetham
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of Mr and Mrs David Benson, of Claypole, *Lincolnshire*, and Catharine (Kate), daughter of Mr and Mrs Humphrey Cheetham, of Trent, Sherborne, Dorset.

Mr G.R.vH. Chapman and Miss E.I.B. Powell
The engagement is announced between Geoffrey, elder son of the late Mr Peter Chapman, and of Mrs Elizabeth Vignato and stepson of Mr Lee Vignato, of Kailua, Hawaii, and Emma, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Mark Powell, of Little Missenden, Buckinghamshire.

Mr M. Hall and Miss C.A. Findjan
The engagement is announced between Martin, son of the late Mr P.J. Hall, and of Mrs E.M.P. Hall, of Portsmouth, and Camilla, daughter of the late Mr H.W. Johns, and of Mrs A. Findjan, of Farnham, Surrey.

Mr E.J. Langley and Miss E.L. Crittenden
The engagement is announced between Edward James, son of Mr and Mrs Ralph Langley, of Quorn, Leicestershire, and Emma Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip Crittenden, of Herstmonceux, East Sussex.

Mr R.G. Levin and Mrs J.B.M. Drake
The engagement is announced between Richard, only son of Mr Michael Levin and the late Mrs Shirley Levin, of Tern Farm, Wellington, Shropshire, and Jocelyn, elder daughter of the late Mr Simon Coates and of Mrs Ann Coates, of Darley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire.

Mr M. Oesterlin and Miss E.J. Piak
The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs Rudolph Oesterlin, of Spring City, Pennsylvania, United States, and Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Pink, of Horsted Keynes, Sussex.

Mr M.W. Thowless-Reeves and Miss K.A. Dodson
The engagement is announced between Max, only son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Reeves, of Milwich, Staffordshire, and Kathryn, eldest daughter of Dr J.W. Dodson, of Hallarrow, Avon, and of Mrs C.E Redmond-Lyon, of Midsomer Norton, Avon.

Marriages

Mr J. Sanz and Miss D.H. Impey
The marriage took place on Saturday, August 13, at the Church of Crowstone St Georges, Westcliff, between Mr Justo Sanz, only son of Mr and Mrs Justo Sanz, of Madrid, Spain, and Miss Debbie Helen Impey, daughter of Mr and Mrs Derek Impey, of Prittlewell, Essex. The Rev Victor Ridgewell officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Sarah Knock, Miss Deborah Macey, Miss Debbie Todd and Miss Caroline Stevens. Mr Andrew Impey was best man.

A reception was held at Pontland's Park Hotel and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Mr D.J. Swallow and Miss N.F. Johnson
The marriage took place on Saturday, August 13, at Christ Church, Church Crookham, of Mr Duncan Swallow, only son of Mr and Mrs Ian Swallow of Siddington, Cirencester, to Miss Nicole Johnson, only daughter of Mrs Connie Johnson, of Poulton-Le-Fylde. The bride, who was given in marriage by her mother, was attended by Miss Alexandra Mattur, Miss Claire Swallow and Miss Joanna Wigglesworth. Mr Rupert Nichols was best man. Father John Evans officiated.

A reception was held at Elvetham Hall, Hartley Wintney and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Wax Chandlers' Company

The following have been installed officers of the Wax Chandlers' Company for the ensuing year:

Master, Mr Gordon S. Planner; Upper Warden, Lieutenant Commander Nicholas Bailey; Renter Warden, Mr David John L.A. Niece.

Church news

The Rev Adrian Hughes, Team Vicar, Glendale Group, in charge of Kirkhewton and Doddington: to be Priest-in-charge, Belford (Newcastle).

The Rev John McNaughton, Senior Chaplain, Army School of Mech Tpt, Leconfield: to be Vicar, Hutton Cranswick w Skerne, Watton and Beswick (York).

The Rev Valerie Perry, formerly Chaplain's Assistant at the Middlesex Hospital, London (London): to be appointed by the South Kent Hospitals NHS Trust as Chaplain of William Harvey Hospital, Willesborough, including Ashford Hospital and the Royal Victoria Hospital, Folkestone (Canterbury).

The Rev Stephen Seamer, Assistant Chaplain, St Paul's Tervuren, Belgium: to be Chaplain, St Paul's, Tervuren w Liege, Belgium (Europe).

The Rev Michael Smith, Curate-in-charge, Howden Team Ministry: to be Team Vicar, Howden Team Ministry (York).

Church of Scotland
Ordination: The Rev Isobel Birrell: to part-time Hospital Chaplain in the Presbytery of Angus.

Ordinations and inductions: The Rev Robert Gehrke to Penpont, Keir and Tynron.

The Rev James Daniel Gibb to North Ronaldshay with Sanday.

The Rev Tom McDonald to North & Ednam, Kelso.

The Rev Morag Thomson to Fodderty & Strathpeffer.

Translation: The Rev Keith F Hall from St Mungo's, Alloa, to St Mary's, Dundee.

Retirement: The Rev Ian M P Davidson from Allan Park South with Church of the Holy Rude, Stirling.

University news

LLD — Sir Ewart Bell, for services to the university; Lady Faulkner, for services to the community; Sir Anthony Kenny, for distinction as a philosopher; the Rt Hon Turlough O'Donnell, for services to the law and to the university.

DSc — Professor Dervilla Donnelly, for services to phytochemistry and to education in Ireland; Dr Ernest Shannon, for services to engineering; Dawson Stelfox, for services to mountaineering in Ireland.

DSc (Agr) — Dr George Chambers, for services to agriculture and to the community in Northern Ireland.

MD — Professor Sir Roy Calne, for distinction in surgery and for contributions to health care in Northern Ireland.

Appointments
The following appointments have been made:

Director of the Institute of Criminology and Criminal Justice — Professor Michael Edwards Brogden, who presently holds the E Rex Makin Chair in Criminal Justice, a personal chair with sponsorship from a local law firm, in the School of Law, Social Work and Social Policy at Liverpool John Moores University.

Academic Assessor (for three years) — Professor John Bridges.

Lecturer in Condensed Matter Physics — Dr Robert Bowman; Lecturer in Atomic, Molecular and Optical Physics — Dr Ian Gerard Hughes; Lecturer in European Rural Policy — Christos Papadas.

To a five-year lectureship in Social Work — Margaret Collette McAuley.

Professor Emeritus
The title of Professor Emeritus has been conferred on Dr Barry Bridges, Professor of Physiology from 1974 to 1991; Dr Colin Radford, Professor of French from 1975 to 1993; and Michael McGann, Professor of Latin from 1976 to 1992.

The title of Honorary Lecturer, in the School of Biology and Biochemistry and the School of Mathematics and Physics respectively, has been conferred on Dr David Allsop of SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceuticals, and Dr Kenneth Phillips, Principal Scientific Officer, Astrophysics Division, Space Science Department, Rutherford Appleton Laboratory.

Grants
Research projects have attracted funding of more than £1.2 million and recent grants include:
School of Chemistry
Professor K R Seddon, £80,000 over two years, British Petroleum, Extra Mural Research Award - Ionic Liquids.
School of Clinical Medicine
Epidemiology and Public Health
Professor A Evans, £134,218 over two years, Northern Regional Health Authority, Newcastle upon Tyne, NHS R&D programme on cardiovascular disease and stroke DC15: Genetic determinants of the serum cholesterol response to weight loss.
School of Geosciences
Geography
Dr J D Orford (in collaboration with other institutions) £133,941, the European Community, Climate change and coastal evolution in Europe.
School of Mathematics and Physics
Pure and Applied Physics
Dr J Geddes, £338,048 over three years, SERC, Coincidence studies of electron transfer and emission during ion-surface interactions.
School of Mechanical and Process Engineering
Chemical Engineering
Dr T R Magee, £103,630, Industrial Research and Technology Unit of the Department of Economic Development (under the RTD Networking Programme), Fertiliser granulation and its effect on product caking.
School of Social Sciences
Politics
Professor R J Breen, £183,280 over two years, Economic and Social Research Council, Social mobility, political preferences, attitudes and behaviour in Northern Ireland.

Reading
Mr Paul Orchard-Lisle, Senior Partner of Healey & Baker, has been appointed President of the Council.

Bradford
Appointments and Awards
Nick Andrew to be Registrar and Secretary of the university from October 1.

Readerships:
Dr David Jobber, senior lecturer at the Management Centre, to a Readership in Marketing.
Dr Kevin Featherstone of the Department of European Studies to a Readership in European Integration Studies.

Emeritus Professorships:
Professor John Stephenson, formerly Professor of Computing.
Professor Stephen Wearne, formerly Professor of Technological Management.

External appointment:
Professor David Weir, Director of the Management Centre, has been elected Chair of the Association of Business Schools.

Awards:
Dr Brian Clark of the Department of Pharmaceutical Technology has been awarded the Jubilee silver medal by the Chromatographic Society of Great Britain for international excellence in the field of chromatography.

Professor Roger Falconer, Head of the Department of Civil Engineering, has been awarded a Telford Premium by the Institution of Civil Engineers, for a paper presented to the institution on the application of numerical models for water quality studies.

Manchester
Appointments
Senior Lecturer in Accident and Emergency Medicine, Christopher Moulton
Senior Lecturer in Dental Materials Science, James Christopher Setcos
Senior Lecturer in Health Services Research, Elizabeth Jane Kay
Senior Lecturer in Social Work, Carole Smith
Senior Lecturer in General Practice, Hermione Jane Lovell
Honorary Clinical Senior Lecturer in Psychiatry from August 1, 1994, to September 30, 1997, Dr A W Procter, Consultant Psychiatrist at the Manchester Royal Infirmary
Honorary Clinical Senior Lecturer in Medical Oncology from August 1, 1994, to September 30, 1997, Dr J.A. Radford, Consultant Medical Oncologist at the Christie Hospital
Clinical Lecturer in Diagnostic Radiology, Jonathan Martin Fields
Lecturer in Medicinal Chemistry in the Department of Pharmacy, Sally Freeman
Lecturer in Artificial Intelligence in the Department of Computer Science, Ulrich Dieter Friedrich Nehmzow.

Grants
Recent grants include:
Agriculture and Food R C
Lipid-induced cholecystokinin-vagus interaction in man, Dr D.G. Thompson, £253,600; Response of roots to mechanical stimulation, Dr A.R. Ennos, £112,168.
A & RC
Clinical heterogeneity in Marfan syndrome, Dr C.M. Kielty and Dr C.A. Shuttleworth, £104,386.
EC
Aids: Ethics, justice and European Policy, Professor J.M. Harris, £88,192.
ESRC
Contemporary youth, changing lifestyles and official responses to the normalisation of drug use, Professor H. Parker, £99,340; The processes and policy impact of compliance cost assessment, Dr R.L. Boden, *Professor A.I. Ogus, and Professor* P.C. Stubbs, £73,150.
MCHT
Regional Drug research project, Dr M.C. Donnall, £101,910.
MRC
Molecular heterogeneity of type VI collagen, Dr C.M. Kielty and Dr C.A. Shuttleworth, £132,902.
SERC
Algebraic approaches to simulation, Dr C. Tofts and Professor H. Barringer, £101,953.
Wellcome Trust
Study of the intra-cellular folding and assembly of the tetrameric enzyme prolyl-4-hydroxylase, Dr N. Bulleid, £251,108; The Wellcome Unit for the History of Medicine, 1994-95, Professor J.V. Pickstone, £200,053; Innovation in Chinese Medicine, Professor J.V. Pickstone, £168,675; The role of dopamine and 5HT pathways in the psychophysiological state of craving in opiate-dependent individuals, Professor J.F.W. Deakin, £120,519; Localisation of ligand-binding sites within the integrin adhesion receptor alpha 4 beta 1, Dr M.J. Humphries, £120,431.

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BIRTHS

GALSWORTHY - On August 9th at Treliske Hospital, Truro to Sarah (née Durnford) and Michael, a son, William Jack Heywood, stepbrother to Olivia, Stamford and Susannah.

JONES - On August 11th, to Christine (née Probert) and Nicholas, a daughter, Dulcie Elsie Isobel Mary, a sister for Alf and Bert.

PROBERT JONES - See Jones.

THOMPSON - On August 7th, to Emma (née Fletcher) and Neil, a daughter, Lily Priscilla Marshall.

MARRIAGES

HENNING:HAWE - On March 19 1994, in Stockholm - Claes to Muriel.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

LANE:DUNLOP - On 15th August 1944 at St John's Church, Secunderabad, Deccan, Captain Terence Maurice Lane R.A. to Bruce Jacqueline (Jimmy) Dunlop. Now at Peregrine House, Rake, Liss, Hampshire.

DEATHS

BELLAIRS - On 11th August peacefully at home in Sherfield English, Hants. Delicia Gertrude, Beloved wife of Patrick Bellairs.

CLUTTERBUCK - Tim on August 11th in hospital. Much loved husband of Val and father of Delpha. Private family cremation on Friday 19th August. Family flowers only or if desired donations to RUKBA.

COUSINS - On August 8th, peacefully in hospital, Caroline Frances, aged 87 years. Service at Croydon Crematorium on Wednesday August 17th at 1 pm. Flowers may be sent to J.B Shakespeare Ltd., 67 George Street, Croydon.

DUFF - On 7th August, Olive Elizabeth Duff of the Nuffield Care Centre, Redhill, Surrey, peacefully in her 89th year. The funeral has taken place.

FLINT - *née Goalley), on* August 12th, at St Luke's Hospice, Sheffield, after a long illness, bravely borne (rom cancer, Freda, aged 76 years, loved wife of Jimmy, mother of Julia, Peter and Robert, grandmother of James and Charlotte, sister of Bernard, mother-in-law of Janet and Annette. Service at St John's Church, Ranmoor, Sheffield on 18th August at 11.45am, followed by cremation at Hutcliffe Wood. Family flowers only but donations payable to St Luke's Hospice may be sent to John Heath & Sons, 4-16 Earsham Street, Sheffield.

HESTER - On August 10th 1994 after an illness bravely borne, Joan Ruth née Simmonds, wife of Roy, mother of Rosemary and Clive. Ex war time W.A.A.F. Funeral St Margaret's Parish Church, Barming, Kent, Tuesday 16th August at 12 noon. All enquiries c/o Doves 0622 688662.

HOLLINS - On August 10th Alison Mercia (née Heyworth) widow of LF.E Hollins and much loved mother of Kate and Jasude. Beloved sister, aunt and grandmother. Funeral Service St James Church, Blackburn, Tuesday August 16th at 2pm. Garden flowers only or if desired donations to East Lancashire Hospice c/o Mrs M. Hunt, Park Lee Hospital, Blackburn BB2 3NY.

JÉQUIER - Philip Winton, on 10th August, aged 96, at Witney Community Hospital, peacefully and with dignity after a short but courageous fight against cancer. Husband of the late Mary Jéquier (née Tardrew), dearly loved father of Peter, Robin and Tom and much loved by his nine grandchildren. Memorial Service at St James' Church, Aston, nr. Bampton, Oxon., at 3 pm on Thursday 18th August. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Imperial Cancer Research c/o A.E. Baker & Sons, Cardinal House, 5 Park Road, Faringdon, Oxon., tel: (0367) 240572.

MAXWELL - On August 10th 1994, peacefully in hospital, following a short illness, Norah McKay, much loved wife of Maxie (deceased), mother of Susan and grandma to William. Funeral at St Michael and All Angels Church, Lambourn, Berks., on Monday August 22nd at 12 noon. Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, for The Intensive Care Unit, Princess Margaret Hospital, Swindon, may be sent to W.T. Adams & Co, Funeral Directors, 16 Bayston Road, Lambourn, Berks., RG16 7NT or left at the church.

REYNARD - Dr. William, Ayrton, Ballantyne (Bill) died suddenly but peacefully at home in Tetbury on Wednesday 10th August aged 81. Greatly loved husband of Claudine and proud father and grandfather. No flowers please. Private family funeral. Memorial service and interment of ashes at Dunino Kirk, St Andrews. Fife to be announced.

SHERRARD - Elsie, wife of the late Raymond Sherrard, on August 8th 1994.

STEVENS - Florence Mary (nee Vesley) on August 10th 1994. Dear widow of Anthony and mother of Hugh and Angela. Very deeply loved. No flowers or letters, please, at her special request. Funeral private.

STRONG - Sister Brenda, peacefully on 11th August, at The Convent of the Assumption, 23 Kensington Square W8 5HN. Requiem on Thursday 18th August at 12.15pm in the Convent Chapel.

TAYLOR - On 11 August 1994 Malcolm John, adored husband of Patricia, much loved son of Horace and the late Lillian, and loving father of Max and Caspar. Funeral Service at St. Mary's Church, Fordingbridge, at 12 noon on Thursday, 18 August. Flowers to I.N. Newman Ltd., Griffin Mews, 22 High Street, Fordingbridge, Hampshire SP6 1AX. Donations, if desired, to Wessex Cancer Trust c/o I.N. Newman.

TOPHAM - On August 11th Robert Charles, farmer of Bygrave. Beloved husband of Penelope and dear father of Venetia. Funeral Service on Thursday August 18th, at St Margaret's Church Bygrave at 1.30pm. Cut flowers only please. All enquiries to EH Crouch Funeral Directors, Baldock. Tel 0462 893194.

WARD - On August 9th in hospital, Megan, beloved wife of Nicholas, daughter of James and mother of Marcus and Justine. Thanksgiving Service on Tuesday 16th August at 2.45pm at the Garrison Church, Colchester, followed by a Committal Service for close family only. Family flowers only. Donations in her memory to British Heart Foundation and The Cancer Research Campaign, c/o Hunnisett Funeral Services, York House, 41 Maresa Road, Colchester.

WEBER - On August 12th, peacefully in Camberley, Madeleine Marie aged 84, widow of Ronald Weber, and mother of Shirley Rose and Renee Terry. Funeral service at St Peter and St John's RC Church, Camberley at 10am August 18th, followed by cremation at Aldershot Crematorium.

WHITWORTH - On August 12th at home, after a short illness, June, most wonderful wife to Rex, devoted mother of Charles, Patrick and Teresa and loving grandmother to Rachel, Susannah, Louisa, Lara, Sophie, Jonathan and David. Funeral and Thanksgiving Service at Stanford-in-the-Vale, Oxon., on Thursday August 18th at 2.30pm, followed by interment at Goosey. All friends welcome. Donations to Riding for the Disabled.

IN MEMORIAM — PRIVATE

CAMPBELL-SMITH - Leonora (Sally) 15th August 1978, mother of Simon.

ROWLANDSON - Katherine Lashane. Treasured memories and love as always. Mummy, Dads and Edward.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOOLNOUGH Amanda Claire BSc 1st Class Honours Degree in Chemistry from Imperial College London. Congratulations and well done from family and friends.

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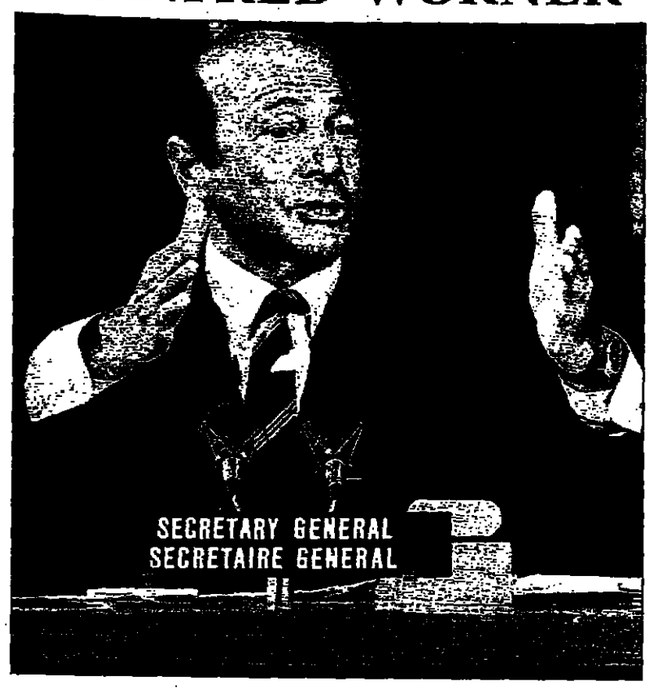
Manfred Wörner, Secretary General of Nato since 1988, died from cancer on August 13 aged 59. He was born in Stuttgart on September 24, 1934.

AS SECRETARY GENERAL of Nato for the past six years, Manfred Wörner found himself having to discard the language of the Cold War for that of peace and partnership with the old enemy, almost overnight. But while KGB generals and Red Army colonels were struggling to come to terms with the new politically correct language, Wörner, in his carefully phrased speeches, eased his way into the post-Soviet world with grace and obvious pleasure. As the international landscape changed beyond recognition with all the symbols of the Cold War — the Berlin Wall, Communism and the Warsaw Pact — crashing around his ears, he warmed to his new theme.

He was appointed Secretary General of Nato in July 1988, when Mikhail Gorbachev was still talking about *perestroika* and *glasnost*, and would often express his amazement at the manner in which events unfolded over the next few years. Suddenly he was being forced radically to redraw the map of Nato obligations for the rest of the century and beyond. He was the first German to hold the post, and for a German to be in such a position at the moment of German reunification required enormous tact. Fortunately he possessed this, as well as intelligence, and an assertive style of leadership, though it must be said that he was less jovial than some of his predecessors in the post — Joseph Luns or Lord Carrington, for example.

Wörner soon found himself shaking hands almost daily with visiting defence ministers and presidents from the countries previously regarded as Nato's putative enemies. Although he appeared to relish the experience, he never lost sight of what he perceived to be the most crucial element of the new Nato, namely the continuing importance of retaining the transatlantic link, and of keeping American troops in Germany. Nato, he persistently said, needed American leadership as much in the post-Cold War world as in the past.

Manfred Wörner was born into a middle-class family, the son of a wealthy textile retailer in Stuttgart. He was named Manfred in honour of the Red Baron, Manfred von Richthofen, the First World War flying ace. He attended the universities of Heidelberg and Paris and went on to study law at the universities of Munich and Stuttgart. He received a doctorate in international law in 1961 with a dissertation on "Criminal jurisdiction over troops in friendly territory" — the first hint of his future career. He joined the Christian Democratic Union in 1956 and worked as an administrator and then parliamentary adviser in the Baden-Württemberg state assembly, before being elected to the Bundestag in 1965, the youngest member at the time.



Almost immediately his potential was spotted. In the 1960s the former West German Chancellor, Kurt Georg Kiesinger, said of him: "That boy is going somewhere." His prediction proved accurate, though some of the older politicians viewed him as a young rebel. Certainly, with his passion for sports, particularly sailing, hiking and skiing, as well as his fluency in English and French, he quickly made his mark.

He went on to be the chairman of the working group on defence of the Christian Democratic Union/Christian Social Union (CDU/CSU) parliamentary party until 1976; the chairman of the Bundestag's defence committee until 1980; and then deputy chairman of the CDU/CSU parliamentary party, with special responsibility for areas including foreign and defence policy, until 1982.

He was appointed federal Defence Minister in October 1982, a post he held for the next six years. He was a popular choice for the post, not least because he was seen to be a man of action. As an enthusiastic aviator and officer in the revived German air force, and later the air reserve, he clocked up more than 1,200 flying hours as a jet pilot: "During one hour of flying you make more decisions on your own than in one year in the Bundestag," he once said.

However, like his predecessors, Wörner could not escape from the jinx that seemed to shadow the Defence Ministry post, which was known wryly as "the ejector seat". In 1984 he made a potentially disastrous political blunder by ordering into early retirement General Gunther Kiessling, one of two Nato deputy supreme commanders, after allegations that the four-star general had visited gay bars. Later he had to reinstate him when it became clear there was no evidence to support the allegations. Wörner admitted that he had been "gullible" over the incident, and that he had thereby done "some damage" to the armed forces. He offered his resignation but survived because Helmut Kohl valued him too highly.

Apart from his talent for administration, he also developed particularly strong links with the military, removing constraints to increase the German army's size and status (by, for example, raising the conscription period from 15 to 18 months). If he had ambitions to climb higher on the political ladder in his own country, he was never regarded by his colleagues as a potential Chancellor. While always respected and liked, he was not a natural politician. But he fought his corner for the military, was straight and had an enviable grasp of technical detail.

He clearly liked his time as Defence Minister and gained a reputation as a hawk. He was a strong advocate for retaining short-range nuclear weapons in West Germany at a time when many of his more liberal countrymen were becoming increasingly anti-nuclear, and his support for the deployment of Pershing 2 and cruise missiles in West Germany from 1983 endeared him to both British and American governments. He regarded as a priority the need to reduce the Soviet Union's massive conventional superiority.

As a committed European and a pro-American, he was in many ways the ideal choice as the successor to Lord Carrington for the post of Nato's Secretary General in July 1988. However, it was a mistake to see him as "Washington's man in Brussels": not having fought in the war, he could afford to be patriotic as one of the generation which, in Kohl's words, enjoyed "the mercy of a recent birth". He would repeat to interviewers the old saw about Nato having been founded to keep the Russians out, the Americans in and the Germans down. He was pleased, he added dourly, that the first two had been achieved and that the third had not.

He proved quick to move with the times, and in his first speeches as Secretary General he presented a slightly more dovish reading of relations with the Soviet Union, stressing that there was much in the new Soviet policy to inspire hope. In the transition period after the Cold War ended, he never lost faith in the organisation he served, even when others suggested that Nato no longer had a role to play. This too was at a time when a number of key member states, including West Germany, had problems meeting their existing defence commitments as a result of the recession.

Wörner argued that reductions on defence expenditure of Nato's members had to be set against the need for a coherent policy. He always saw Nato as a force for good, an alliance that would, by its continuing presence, bring stability to an increasingly unstable world. In May 1992, seven months before he was reappointed to the post of Secretary General for a further three years, he saw Nato reach a landmark agreement to take on the role of a European peacekeeping force which would be allowed to operate outside the borders of its member nations. This was a role which had traditionally been the prerogative of the United Nations.

Wörner was satisfied with the idea that Alliance troops could therefore be deployed in peacekeeping missions such as in the former Yugoslavia, but overall he was disappointed by what he regarded as the West's reluctance to take a tougher stand there. His thoughts remained concentrated on that area in his last years, and he was a convincing advocate for the threat of airstrikes on Serbian positions when necessary. In March this year, he oversaw Nato's first combat action in its 45-year history: the shooting down of four Serbian fighter planes by two American F16 fighters.

At the same time, for the last two years he fought an extraordinarily courageous battle against cancer of the colon. He continued to chair Nato meetings, against the advice of his doctors, looking ever more gaunt and ill. But his dry sense of humour never failed him, and he liked to quote a colleague who compared his appearance to Nato's new force structures: "leaner but meaner."

He leaves a widow, Elfie, and one son from a previous marriage.

LILIAN DUFF

Lilian Duff, radio broadcaster, died on August 7 aged 78. She was born in London on September 28, 1915.

THE record programmes that Lilian Duff presented on the old BBC Home Service will still be fondly remembered, at least by veteran listeners. Perhaps the most famous of them was "French Cabaret", in which she introduced her post-war audience to the songs of Jacques Brel, Charles Trenet, Juliette Greco, Yves Montand and Edith Piaf. Another series followed called "Continental Cabaret" and she later further extended her record repertoire to encompass world music — particularly from Africa and South America — in her final series, "The Happy Wanderer".

In her later incarnation as a Light Programme producer, she enjoyed bringing the tart, sardonic wit of American and Canadian humorists, such as Tom Lehrer and Bob Newhart, to British audiences more accustomed to the earthier, home-grown humour of the Crazy Gang and Jimmy Edwards. Her warm, rather deep, voice appealed especially to lonely male listeners in the far-flung corners of the Commonwealth (her programmes were always repeated on the World Service) and she had to reject, firmly but kindly, numerous marriage proposals.

An only child, she was born in Lambeth, but lived most of her childhood in Acton, west London. Her father was a tailor, the son of a Perthshire crofter; her mother the daughter of an army engineer stationed at Shorncliffe Barracks, Folkestone. She won a Girls Public Day School Trust scholarship to Notting Hill & Ealing High School, where her classmates included Winston Churchill's daughter Sarah. It was here that she developed a passion for English and French literature, Impressionist painting, and music, playing the piano particularly well.

On leaving school, she took a typing course at the Regent Street Polytechnic and then joined the BBC as a newsroom dictation typist. Her quick wit, humour and charm, coupled with an attractive voice, speedily gained her promotion to being in front of the microphone. Her elegant good looks may also have played their part. It was, after all, wartime, and the BBC was anxious to find pretty radio announcers whose photographs could be distributed to the troops as barrack room pin-ups.

Lilian Duff was one of four such announcers chosen (another became the wife of Prince George Galitzine, and a third married Sir Eric Hooper, the chairman of Schweppes). Duff herself, though, soon moved on to presenting her own weekly film magazine programme — which impressed the famous *Sunday Times* critic of the day, James Agate, who wrote in *The Tatler* of her "admirable Sunday commentaries on film matters".

Once the war was over, Lilian Duff briefly forsook the BBC in order to work first for the film producer Sir Alexander Korda, then as film critic on the *Daily Mirror*. After three years, though, realising where her preferred métier lay, she returned to BBC radio in which she stayed first as presenter and then as a producer for the rest of her career.

But in private life her film connection remained strong. During the war she had married the dramatist and *Daily Telegraph* film critic George Campbell Dixon. Together they travelled every year to the Cannes and Venice film festivals, turning each trip into a leisurely tour through Europe. At home, where they lived in some style, they collected antiques (Chinese porcelain was her particular interest) for their medieval Cloth Hall at Biddenden, Kent, and turned the "Dig for Victory" vegetable plots surrounding the house into a beautiful garden.

Although her husband was 20 years older than she was, his death from cancer in 1960 made her feel that her real life had ended. She lost the appetite — and the nerve — for microphone work and moved into the control cubicle to serve as a producer first for the Light Programme and then, after 1967, for Radio 2.

After retirement in 1974 she lived with her younger daughter's family in Bristol until in 1989 she suffered a stroke which left her paralysed and bereft of speech beyond a few single-syllable words.

Lilian Duff is survived by her two daughters.



VLADO HABUNEK

Vlado Habunek, Croatian theatre and opera director, died on July 23 aged 87. He was born in Zagreb on October 10, 1906.

VLADO HABUNEK was a director of international reputation with an astonishing range of productions to his credit. He was the first to introduce to his country such playwrights as Giraudoux, Ionesco, Adamov, Albee and Genet. His work centred mainly at the National Theatre in Zagreb, where in addition to plays he produced operas.

Educated in Zagreb, he originally intended to be a singer, but turned to stagecraft and went to Paris as a young man. After meeting Tyrone Guthrie in 1936 he went on to London, where his first stage appearance was as a spear-carrier in one of Guthrie's productions. After studying at the Saint-Denis School he moved back to Paris until the war. Returning to his own country he founded La Compagnie des Jeunes within the Zagreb French Institute and became Professor of Acting and Production at the Zagreb Conservatoire.

Although Paris remained his first love and he translated and produced a number of French plays at the National Theatre in Zagreb, he became closely involved with opera and theatre in Britain and was a frequent visitor to London and Stratford. He first met Benjamin Britten and Peter Pears in Zagreb in 1955. An entry in Pears's diary then describes Habunek as "a wonderful producer, whom we both fell for". He had already directed Britten's *The Rape of Lucretia*, with Mariana Radev in the title role and Richard Lewis as the Male Chorus in 1952.

A further Britten opera he produced for Zagreb was *A Midsummer Night's Dream* in 1962. In the late 1960s he also directed Britten's *Curlew River*, presented by the Little Orchestra Society in New York, after two long, successful tours across the United States.

In 1963 Habunek made his debut at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, with Modest Mussorgsky's *Khovanshchina*, a production which has been revived several times since. Later that same year he returned to Covent Garden for Shostakovich's *Katerina Ismailova* with Marie Collier as Katerina. In 1968 he directed a musical version of Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*, which ran at the Phoenix Theatre for several years.

Habunek's successes in other countries included productions in France, at the Schiller Theater, Berlin, and at the Lincoln Center in New York, where he staged the world première of Hugo Weisgall's *Nine Rivers from Jordan* in 1968.

His closest friend was the Shakespeare scholar and Professor of English Literature at Zagreb University, Josip Torbarina, several of whose translations of the plays he directed, most notably *Macbeth* at the Dubrovnik Festival in 1970 and *Twelfth Night* at the National Theatre, Zagreb, two years later. To commemorate the tercentenary of Molière's death in 1973 he directed *L'École des Femmes* in Zagreb, choosing with typical originality a British set designer, Bill McPherson, and costume designer, Gordon Melhuish. Characteristic, too, was his choice of Peter Shaffer's *Lettice and Lovage* to direct during the war with Serbia in the winter of 1992-93.

A man of great kindliness and charm, he was always impeccably dressed, and at the same time very modest and unassuming. He would shrug off his many achievements: "I am having a wonderful life, but I would not call it a career. My pleasure is that I know I can help people." And help them he did: by using compatriot designers for some of his productions abroad, for example, and by giving grants to young talented Croatian drama students to visit London and go to the theatre to see good acting. Many companies, such as the Old Vic, Prospect Theatre and the Festival Ballet on tours to the Dubrovnik Festival under the auspices of the British Council, benefited from his advice.

He took as much pride in being a teacher as a producer, and he was fortunate in that his gifts were recognised and appreciated in his own country where, even in his declining years, he was in demand for his views and comments on a wide range of cultural questions.

He received a number of awards from his own country and he was made *Officier des Arts et Lettres* by the French government.

LEE SOON

Lee Soon, Chinese trader, died in Bangkok on August 8 aged 83. He was born in Pholeng, China, on April 10, 1911.

FOR three years Lee Soon risked his life to assist Allied prisoners of war on the Burma-Thailand Railway. He was never caught by the Japanese but he knew the savage punishment their military police would inflict, not only on himself and his associates but on the prisoners themselves, if his clandestine activities were ever uncovered. Warned from time to time by a British camp interpreter of Japanese suspicions, Lee Soon would tell him not to fret, and calmly continue his humanitarian mission.

Lee Soon was never a member of any organised resistance movement, and he worked quite independently of the Thai trader, Boon Pong, who was known to every prisoner on the notorious railway. Nevertheless Lee Soon responded willingly to an urgent plea for aid from one of the first British prisoners of war in Thailand, Captain G. B. Adams. Adams was a gunner officer who had just retired as manager of the Asiatic Petroleum Company in Bangkok. Sent up from Singapore to Thailand in June 1942, in one of the advance parties which built the camps at the base of the projected railway, Adams managed to make contact through Lee Soon with trusted Thai friends and Swiss business associates at liberty in Bangkok.

The camp at which Adams spent much of his captivity was Chungkai, near the provincial capital of Kanchanaburi and approximately 80 miles west of Bangkok. At Chungkai, Lee Soon was given permision by the Japanese to set up a canteen with other members of his family including Pung Hiap Seng to sell eggs and other local produce to the prisoners. Thus his presence in the camp was accepted, and he was free to come and go as he pleased.

Among the stores for his canteen he was able to conceal urgently needed medical supplies for the hospital, and sometimes batteries for the secret radio. This contraband



was purchased in Bangkok, though not without danger to the purchaser.

By early 1943 the sale of drugs in the capital was under strict government control, and as the months passed stock became more and more restricted, and prices rose. Lee Soon procured the drugs on the black market from Chinese dispensaries. He also obtained funds for the camp principally from a Swiss manager of the Borneo Company, the security being IOUs from the prisoners, or cheques drawn on British banks — none of which could be termed a gilt-edged transaction in the Bangkok of 1943-44. Lee Soon never charged a commission.

By riverboat and motorcycle Lee Soon would make his way back to Chungkai with as much as he could carry. There the plight of the prisoners was becoming increasingly desperate. Lee Soon would return to Bangkok to scrounge for more supplies, urged on by the sights he had seen as the barges from the up-river camps on the railway put in to Chungkai bearing their cargoes of the sick, the dying and the dead.

Lee Soon was a Teochiu and never renounced his Chinese nationality. He left China in the late 1920s, migrating to Bangkok where he found employment as an agent for Lever Brothers. In this capacity he travelled extensively in Thailand, learnt English, and gained some knowledge of the international business fraternity in Bangkok. The Japanese occupation of the country forced him to find other means of support.

For his services to British and Australian prisoners of war Lee Soon was awarded in 1948 the King's Medal for Courage in the Cause of Freedom, and in the following year made an officer of the Order of Orange-Nassau by the Dutch. The Borneo Company helped him to re-establish himself in commerce, and assistance with the further education of two of his sons was provided respectively by the Dutch government, and the Leverhulme Trust acting in concert with the Federation of British Industries.

Lee Soon was modest about the role he played during the war, and too shy to attend the ceremony at the British Embassy in Bangkok to receive his medal. But those prisoners who knew him appreciated his integrity and reliability, and the unselfish dedication to the task he set himself.

The officer who entrusted a Kodak camera to Lee Soon at Chungkai, when it became too dangerous to retain such an object, was delighted — but not surprised — to be told a few years after the end of the war that the camera was awaiting collection at a London club.

Lee Soon leaves a widow, four sons and two daughters.

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Napoleon reigns once again in Corsica

From Charles Hargrove

Ajaccio, Aug 14

Napoleonic ardour, with the thundery weather adding its own sweltering touch, is reaching fever pitch on the eve of the two-hundredth anniversary of the birth of the patron saint of Corsica (a feast of St Napoleon was in fact created in 1805 by the Emperor and died with him at St Helena, a church historian has recorded) and of the coming of President Pompidou to commemorate it.

The deep-seated grudges that Corsicans still nurse about the neglect of their island by the "continent", as they call France since she annexed it in 1768, have given way to an exhibition of intense pride over a "favourite son".

They are, even in normal times, an indomitably proud people. "We produced Napoleon", they say, and whatever shadows some historians cast on his glory along with the praise and panegyrics that the bicentenary has inevitably prompted; it gives them a feeling of having a distinct edge on their fellow Frenchman.

The cult of the Emperor has certainly reached its zenith: His portrait is on every building, in every shop and on practically everything that can be bought and sold, in bronze, brass, china and even pastry. The proud Napoleonic symbols in gold, the "N" with the imperial crown and the imperial bees, adorn the facades of humble apartment buildings in narrow back streets off the triumphal path of tomorrow's presidential procession.

Public buildings in Ajaccio have been given a coat of paint, roads have new surfaces, flower beds have been weeded and planted, and myriad coloured lights are strung all over tomorrow's route from the Place d'Austerlitz to the Place des Palmiers by the way of the Place de Gaulle, from which cars have been banned to make room for a fountain as a worthy setting for M Pompidou's half-hour speech.

Napoleon is an intrinsic part of Corsican folklore — in fact, in Ajaccio he monopolizes folklore. One can visualize the young "Nabulio", as he was nicknamed, running along the narrow streets which remain untouched and redolent of garlic, salami and olive oil. Here one rediscovers a Napoleon of almost intimate, human stature, far from the somewhat superficial glories of empire and mastery of the world.

Napoleon regretted at St Helena that he had been able to do so little for Corsica: his nephew, Napoleon III, tried a few decades later to make up this deficit. For 200 years his fellow Corsicans had to be content almost exclusively with the name and fame. But the bicentenary had produced at last many practical improvements.

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Time loss claim can be set off

Aectra Refining and Marketing Inc v Exmar NV
Before Lord Justice Hirst and Lord Justice Hoffmann
[Judgment July 22]

A claim for time lost under a maritime charterparty was capable of being a legal set-off such as to entitle the defendant to leave to defend against an application for summary judgment.

Where there were cross-claims between the parties which did not arise from the same transaction, section 13 of the Insolvent Debtors Relief Act 1729 applied only where the independent cross-claims were both subject to determination on their merits by the court.

Accordingly, a claim not connected with the original transaction and the subject of pending arbitration proceedings under an arbitration clause could not be set off against the plaintiff's claim.

The Court of Appeal so held dismissing an appeal by the defendants, Exmar NV, against an order of Mr Justice Hobhouse on April 30, 1993 ordering summary judgment for the plaintiffs Aetra Refining and Marketing Inc in the sum of $76,889.37.

Section 13 of the 1729 Act provides: "Where there are mutual debts between the plaintiff and the defendant ... one may be set off against the other, and such matter may be given in evidence upon the general issue, or pleaded in bar, as the nature of the case shall require."

Mr Richard Southern for the plaintiff; Mr Angus Glennie, QC and Miss Karen Maxwell for the defendant.

LORD JUSTICE HIRST said that Chief Justice Cockburn in *Stooke v Taylor* ((1880) 5 QBD 569) had confined the scope of set-off to claims "in respect of liquidated debts, or money demands which can be readily and without difficulty ascertained".

The claim the defendant wished to set off against the plaintiff's was an off-hire dispute under a charterparty. The judge had decided that unless and until arbitration was concluded the liability under the charterparty could not be quantified so set-off was not available.

Mr Glennie had submitted that as a matter of principle the proper approach was to focus exclusively on the claim: and decide whether or not it fell within the *Stooke v Taylor* test. If it did then that in itself was sufficient to qualify it as a legal set-off and the fact that there might disputes about quantum was irrelevant.

Mr Southern had submitted that a mere claim for a liquidated debt was not enough; the nature of the claim was not the answer. It was essential that its quantification should also be easily ascertainable and not subject to any reduction.

His Lordship accepted Mr Glennie's argument, which was supported by authorities not cited below. The pleaded set-off was one for a liquidated debt for the stipulated daily rate of hire over the off-hire periods. That was sufficient to bring it within the test.

Chief Justice Cockburn was referring to ascertainment of the quantum of the demand, and not to the amount which might ultimately be held recoverable after all the defences put forward had been considered. The legal set-off pleaded in the defence was sound in principle.

LORD JUSTICE HOFFMANN, agreeing, said the plaintiff maintained that to be available as a set-off a claim must be capable of being litigated in the court in which the set-off was pleaded. It said the claim did not qualify for set-off because the parties had agreed that it should be submitted to arbitration.

That was a difficult point on which there was no authority and the answer had to be deduced from first principles. His Lordship distinguished between independent set-off, which did not require any relationship between the transactions out of which the cross-claims arose, and transaction set-off.

Independent set-off in English law was based on section 13 of the 1729 Act. Cross-claims had to be both due and payable and either liquidated or capable of being quantified by reference to ascertainable facts not requiring estimation or valuation.

Transaction set-off was a cross-claim arising out of the same transaction or one so closely related to it that it operated as a complete or partial defeasance of the plaintiff's claim.

The authorities were in favour of allowing a transaction set-off to be pleaded notwithstanding its submission to arbitration or a different jurisdiction. Transaction set-off was not a mere procedural rule but a defence at common law.

The defendant was saying that although the facts alleged by the plaintiff entitled him to judgment for the amount claimed, a wider examination of related facts would show that the claim was wholly or partly extinguished.

That argument was not nearly so strong in the case of independent set-off, which was not a substantive defence to the claim but a procedure for taking an account of the balance due between the parties.

In his Lordship's view, it was of the essence of independent set-off in English law that the defendant should be entitled to have the merits of his cross-claim tried by the court in which he had been impleaded.

If the defendant was faced with a procedural bar to having his claim determined, for example because he had agreed to the jurisdiction of another tribunal, he could not assert an independent set-off.

Exmar's claim was subject to a mandatory stay under section 1 of the Arbitration Act 1975. The defendant said the arbitration need cause no difficulty. It was willing for the cross-claim to proceed, as it had been proceeding, by arbitration.

But what the defendant was seeking in the appeal was not a stay of the action or the execution of the plaintiff's judgment but leave to defend. That had to mean the right to have its cross-claim adjudicated by the court. But the defendant had no such right.

Did that conflict with the policy of the statutes of set-off? Independent set-off enabled the parties to have their various disputes tried in one action instead of two or more. But that was not essential to a fair determination of the dispute, as would usually be the case in transaction set-off.

The original purpose of section 13 of the 1729 Act was to prevent debtors from being cast into prison for failure to meet a judgment when, on a full taking of accounts, they might not be indebted at all. To achieve that purpose it was not necessary that the cross-claims all be tried in the same action: a stay of execution on the judgment until determination of the cross-claim would have been equally effective.

Whatever might have been the position in 1729, the court today had adequate powers to prevent injustice to a debtor by staying proceedings or execution pending the determination of a cross-claim in arbitration or another jurisdiction.

One would not be subverting the original policy of the 1729 Act by holding that it applied only to cases in which the independent cross-claims were both subject to determination on their merits by the court.

Solicitors: Middleton Potts; Lawrence Graham.

Prejudice inherent in type of case

In re Manlon Trading Ltd
Before Mr Justice Evans-Lombe
[Judgment July 22]

The approach of the court in applications to strike out cases brought under the Company Directors' Disqualification Act 1986 could not be the same as the approach of the court to striking out applications in ordinary private litigation.

It was in any event, however, inherent in the nature of proceedings brought under the 1986 Act that they would prejudice the business interests of the respondent to them so long as they remained pending and accordingly, where there had been inordinate and inexcusable delay in the prosecution of such proceedings, they might be struck out without proof of specific prejudice to the respondent on the principles applicable to *inter partes* civil litigation.

Mr Justice Evans-Lombe so held in a reserved judgment in the Chancery Division when acceding to the application of Haroon Abdul Aziz that proceedings begun against him under the provisions of the 1986 Act by the Official Receiver be struck out for want of prosecution.

Mr Edward Bannister, QC, for Mr Aziz; Mr William Charles and Mr Guy Newey for the Official Receiver.

MR JUSTICE EVANS-LOMBE said that proceedings had initiated on June 7, 1990 against the applicant under section 6 of the 1986 Act seeking an order that he be disqualified from acting as a director or being directly or indirectly concerned in the promotion or management of a company without leave of the court.

The proceedings had been instituted the day before the expiry of the period prescribed for the commencement of such proceedings by section 7(2) of the Act. However, between May 13, 1991 and October 1992 the Official Receiver appeared to have taken virtually no steps to advance the proceedings towards a hearing. It was accepted on his behalf that that delay, some 17 months, was inordinate and inexcusable and attributable to him.

By letter dated November 11, 1992, the Official Receiver served on the applicant notice of intention to proceed. Procedurally all that remained to do before the case could be brought on for trial was for the Official Receiver to file his long overdue evidence.

In the result, that was not achieved until January 24, 1994 when evidence of modest length and a further report, containing very little new information and much argument, was filed and served, some 15 months after the notice of intention to proceed. On March 17, 1994 the applicant indicated his intention to make the instant application.

The charges against the applicant were, by common consent, of a serious nature and would amount to a serious attack on the reputation and competence of any businessman in the eyes of his fellows.

What had to be established in private litigation, at least, before a case could be struck out for want of prosecution, was that there was inordinate and inexcusable delay and either that such delay would give rise to a substantial risk that it would not be possible to have a fair trial or that the delay was such as likely to cause or have caused serious prejudice to the defendant as between himself and the plaintiff or between himself and a third party.

Mr Charles had submitted that the applicant had to establish prejudice caused by the delay, either to a fair trial of the case or in some collateral way.

Collateral prejudice could be either specific actual prejudice suffered by the applicant or prejudice inherent in the existence of the proceedings of the type found to exist by the Court of Appeal in *Biss v Lambeth Health Authority* ([1978] 1 WLR 382).

His Lordship found as a matter of fact, however, that there was no substantial risk that it would not be possible to have a fair trial of the issues in proceedings against the applicant. Nor, as a matter of fact, had the applicant discharged the burden of proof which rested upon him to show that he had suffered some specific collateral prejudice from the delay.

But as to the sort of prejudice inherent in the pendency of certain types of proceedings, it was inherent in the nature of proceedings brought under the 1986 Act, launched as they were by a government department and brought in the public interest for the protection of the public, that they would prejudice the business interests of the respondent to the proceedings so long as they remained pending, save in the most exceptional of cases of which the instant was not one.

Such prejudice would result from the loss of business opportunities or from the inability of the respondent to order his business affairs with a view to the future because his status, in particular his ability to manage the business affairs of a company, would remain in question until the proceedings were determined.

It was the existence of that almost inevitable prejudice which required the applicant in proceedings under the Act, once they had been commenced, to take all steps to ensure that they were brought to trial at the earliest possible moment commensurate with the court being able to do justice between the parties.

His Lordship would therefore accept that the applicant had suffered prejudice of that sort during the period of approximately four years during which the proceedings had been pending, that period itself commencing at the end of the statutory limitation period for bringing such proceedings.

However, Mr Bannister had submitted more broadly that the rules established by the long series of cases starting with *Allen v Sir Alfred McAlpine & Sons Ltd* ([1968] 2 QB 229) were all decided in the context of private litigation and were inapplicable to public law cases where the applicant was a regulatory authority and the respondent was an individual who had allegedly broken relevant rules and against whom a statutory remedy was sought to be enforced.

He submitted that the court need not, in such a case, require to have proved prejudice flowing from any period of inordinate and inexcusable delay before exercising the jurisdiction to strike out.

His Lordship had been referred to *In re Noble Trees Ltd* ([1993] BCLC 1185) and the unreported decision of Judge Paul Baker, QC, in the Chancery Division on April 6, 1993 in *In re Bodrun Ltd*, two other cases in which applications had been made to strike out proceedings under the Act.

In his Lordship's judgment, the approach of the court in such cases could not be the same as the approach of the court in ordinary private litigation.

Disqualification cases, and probably other proceedings brought by regulatory authorities, were *sui generis* and the rules established in the private litigation authorities could only be applied to them with considerable modifications.

Such proceedings concerned the status of the respondent and were not to resolve disputes as to private rights; they were brought by a regulatory authority, the secretary of state or the Official Receiver on his behalf, who had no direct personal interest in the result; and while if, as a result of incompetent presentation the proceedings failed, it was the public which was disadvantaged, the Act none the less placed an upper limit on the period of disqualification and it followed that Parliament did not regard indefinite disqualification as being in the public interest; it must have envisaged that it was in the public interest that a businessman, after an appropriate period, should have restored to him the right to manage businesses with the protection of limited liability.

By contrast, therefore, with private litigation where the plaintiff's interest in enforcing his private rights against the defendant remained constant, the interest of the public in obtaining the protection of the disqualification order must diminish as time passed from the commencement of the relevant liquidation and certainly from the commencement of the proceedings to disqualify.

Those proceedings involved a process akin to sentencing in criminal cases and delay in bringing the matter before the court might handicap that process from doing justice. There was no equivalent in private litigation.

Finally, in contrast with private litigation, there would almost always be serious collateral prejudice inherent in the existence of the proceedings which in private litigation would justify striking out.

His Lordship would therefore offer, with some diffidence, the following as a practical approach to the question whether proceedings to disqualify should be struck out:

1 Having determined that there had been inordinate and inexcusable delay, the court should then determine whether such had given rise to a substantial risk that it was not possible to have a fair trial.

2 If it concluded that there could not be a fair trial, the court would generally dismiss the proceedings: only in exceptional cases would the court treat conduct of the respondent in relation to the proceedings as a justification for allowing the case to proceed.

3 Where no prejudice to a fair trial was established, the court should permit the case to proceed unless, having regard to all the circumstances of the case there had ceased to be an obvious public interest in obtaining a disqualification order against the particular respondent which outweighed the interest of the respondent's being able to pursue his business affairs without fetter.

The circumstances to be taken into account would include:

(i) the nature of the allegations;

(ii) the likely period of disqualification which would be imposed if those allegations were proved;

(iii) the time which had elapsed since the relevant winding-up or the commencement of the disqualification proceedings and the application to strike out, although his Lordship would attach no great significance to delay in launching the disqualification proceedings until late in the two-year period allowed by statute;

(iv) the continuing inherent prejudice to the respondent, which could usually be assumed;

(v) the impact and seriousness of specific prejudice to the respondent which the court found to have resulted or which was resulting from the pendency of the proceedings.

In the instant case, his Lordship was not satisfied that there existed an obvious public interest in obtaining an order against the applicant and would strike out the proceedings. For reasons already given, the result should be the same even if the rules governing private litigation were, contrary to his Lordship's judgment, to apply.

Solicitors: Simons, Platman & Rechnic; Treasury Solicitor.

Liquidator's action champertous

Grovewood Holding plc v James Capel & Co Ltd
Before Mr Justice Lightman
[Judgment July 19]

The court would not permit a liquidator to continue an action which was financed by a champertous arrangement.

Mr Justice Lightman so held in the Chancery Division granting a stay of proceedings brought by Grovewood Holding plc against James Capel & Co Ltd on a summons issued by the defendant.

Mr Jonathan Sumption, QC and Mr Paul Wright for Capel; Mr Rupert Jackson, QC and Mr Simon Monty for Grovewood.

MR JUSTICE LIGHTMAN said that Capel was the stockbroker and adviser to Grovewood in a transaction that proved disastrous and as a result of which Grovewood had started the action alleging negligence and misrepresentation, claiming £38 million.

Grovewood had since gone into liquidation and the liquidator sought to continue the action. He had sought financial support from the creditors and shareholders, but in vain.

In order to keep the action going he had been driven to enter into two successive agreements entitled "sponsorship agreements" with backers under which, in return for the necessary funding, he had agreed that the backers should receive one half of the recoveries of the action.

The sponsors were anxious to maintain their anonymity which might explain why they preferred to acquire a share in the recoveries rather than acquire the cause of action, in which case they would have had to be plaintiffs and disclose their identities.

Capel argued that the arrangement was champertous and therefore illegal. Champerty was the maintenance of an action in consideration of a promise to give the maintainer a share in the proceeds or subject matter of the action.

Grovewood accepted that the agreement was *prima facie* champertous but argued that a liquidator was in effect given exemption from the law of maintenance and champerty in so far as necessary to conclude such an agreement to achieve some realisation for creditors from the cause of action sued on in the proceedings.

His Lordship reviewed the authorities: *Seear v Lawson* ((1880) 15 Ch D 426), *In re Park Gate Waggon Works Co* ((1881) 17 Ch D 234), *Guy v Churchill* ((1888) 40 Ch D 481), *Ramsey v Hartley* ([1977] 1 WLR 687), and concluded that they established beyond question that both a trustee in bankruptcy and a liquidator were given statutory power to sell a cause of action on terms that the assignees by way of consideration would pay over a share of the recoveries.

But the liquidator contended that this was not a sale of a cause of action but a sale of one half of the beneficial interest in the net recoveries. Such a sale, it was said, was likewise authorised by paragraph 6 of Schedule 4 to and section 436 of the Insolvency Act 1986 as a liquidator's "power to sell any of the company's property by public auction or private contract" and was likewise exempt from the application of the law of maintenance and champerty.

The difficulty with that argument was that a sale of the recoveries in an action as and when recovered as distinct from the cause of action had long been regarded as valid and unobjectionable on grounds of maintenance: see *Glegg v Bromley* ([1912] 3 KB 474).

No special statutory exemption from the law of maintenance was required to enable a trustee in bankruptcy or liquidator to dispose of recoveries in an action.

His Lordship could see no basis in principle or authority for extending the statutory exemption applicable in the case of sales of bare causes of action to sales of the fruits of litigation where there was no like necessity.

References in the judgment of Lord Justice Megaw in *Ramsey v Hartley* ([1977] 1 WLR 687) and Lord Justice Balcombe in *Bang & Olufson v Ton Systeme Ltd* (unreported July 16, 1993 CA) to not bringing into the law of bankruptcy doctrines applicable in other fields could only be intended to apply to doctrines expressly or by implication inconsistent with the provision or scheme of the bankruptcy code.

So far as the 1986 Act conferred powers on liquidators and trustees other than the powers to sell bare causes of action, the law of maintenance had full force and effect. Therefore the Act conferred no relevant exemption from the law of champerty and accordingly the proceedings were being maintained champertously.

The liquidator submitted that even if the proceedings were champertous the court should not intervene to grant a stay because: (i) he was acting meritoriously in the interests of creditors, (ii) because it was the merest technicality that the right assigned was to the fruits rather than the cause of action, and (iii) because there was evidence of a wind of change in attitudes to champerty manifested in the imminent changes in the law allowing for the charging of contingent fees subject to certain stringent conditions.

His Lordship rejected that submission. The law drew distinctions, perhaps fine, between what was and what was not champertous and where the arrangement fell into the category of champerty and there was no statutory exemption the court should set its face against such an arrangement however well intentioned it might be.

He had no doubt that he was free in the case of a champertous agreement such as the present to grant a stay to prevent a continuing abuse of process which the court as well as Capel had an interest in bringing to an end.

If the court could stay proceedings because brought for a collateral purpose, as it could, (see *Goldsmith v Sperring Ltd* ([1977] 1 WLR 478)) the court could likewise stay proceedings if champertous. He had no doubt that a stay should be granted.

Solicitors: Cameron Markby Hewitt; Reynolds Porter Chamberlain.

Considering applications to join pharmaceutical list

Regina v Yorkshire Health Authority, Ex parte Suri
Regina v Yorkshire Health Authority, Ex parte Gompels (D & M)
Regina v Yorkshire Health Authority, Ex parte Gompels (D & M)
Before Mr Justice Popplewell
[Judgment July 1]

Where an application was made for inclusion in a pharmaceutical list, a licensing committee had to consider the effect on the general population and not on the patient population alone.

Mr Justice Popplewell so stated in the Queen's Bench Division in a reserved judgment dismissing the appeals of:

(1) Miss Suri, trading as Grewal Chemists, Chilwell Road, Beeston against the dismissal by Yorkshire Regional Health Authority on June 10, 1993 of an appeal against Nottinghamshire Family Health Service Authority's decision to allow an application by G. W. Taylor Ltd for inclusion in the pharmaceutical list in respect of premises at Chilwell Road;

(2) D & M Gompels, of Melksham, Wiltshire against the decision of October 19, 1993 to allow an appeal by Lloyds Chemists Retail Ltd against the refusal by Wiltshire Family Health Service Authority to include Lloyds in its pharmaceutical list in respect of premises in Melksham;

(3) D & M Gompels against the decision of February 15, 1994 to allow an appeal by Boots the Chemist Ltd against the refusal by Wiltshire Family Health Service Authority to include Boots in its pharmaceutical list in respect of premises in Melksham.

Mr Michael Beloff, QC and Mr Jonathan Fisher for the applicants; Mr Robert Carnwarth, QC and Mr Keith Freeman for the health authority; Miss Cherie Booth for Lloyds; Mr Jonathan Harvie, QC and Miss Judith Beale for Boots.

MR JUSTICE POPPLEWELL said that the case concerned the interpretation of regulation 4 of the National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations (SI 1992 No 662) made pursuant to section 42 of the National Health Service Act 1977 which provided for the preparation and publication of the pharmaceutical list.

In general only those included in that list might be remunerated for providing pharmaceutical services under the National Health Service thus controlling the number of pharmacies in a locality.

Regulation 4 provided that an application for inclusion in the list would only be granted automatically if it were submitted by the purchaser of an existing pharmacy business already on the list or if it involved a minor relocation.

Subsection (3) provided that where an applicant intended to change within the neighbourhood the premises from which he provided pharmaceutical services which were the same services he intended to provide from the new premises and the family health services authority was satisfied that the change was a minor relocation, the application would be granted.

What amounted to "neighbourhood" and "minor relocation" was a matter of fact and degree.

It was clear that the purpose of the Act and the regulations was to secure for persons in the neighbourhood adequate services and not to consider the effect a move would have on another pharmacist.

The fact that it might affect another pharmacist commercially was not a factor to be taken into account.

His Lordship said that one had to give a purposive effect to the Act and in section 42 it was clearly the population as a whole that had to be considered. If one looked to the patient constituency then that related to competition.

In the present case the only people who were going to be adversely effected by the pharmacies being so near to each other were the applicants.

Solicitors: Charles Russell; Mrs Ann Kirk, Harrogate; Mr Stephen Buckell, Tamworth; Mr David Charlton, Nottingham.

Child return order is final

In re M (Minors) (Child abduction: Undertakings)
Before Lord Justice Butler-Sloss, Lord Justice McCowan and Sir Tasker Watkins
[Judgment July 15]

A Hague Convention order for the return of a child to the country of his habitual residence was a final order and any application to set it aside had to be made by way of appeal to the Court of Appeal.

Undertakings attached to an order for the return of a child under the Convention were designed to protect the child for the limited period before the foreign court took over and were not to be used to fetter or delay the enforcement of the decision to return the child.

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment, dismissing the mother's appeals against (i) the order of Mr Justice Kirkwood on April 15 that her two children be returned to Israel forthwith, pursuant to the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction 1980 as enacted by the Child Abduction and Custody Act 1985, and (ii) the decision by Mr Justice Johnson on June 20 to decline jurisdiction to hear the mother's application to set aside the order.

Mr Augustus Ullstein, QC and Mr Timothy Scott for the mother; Mr James Munby, QC and Miss Indira Ramsahoye for the father.

LORD JUSTICE BUTLER-SLOSS said that it had been argued for the mother that a Hague Convention order was analogous to custody and access and was to be treated as interlocutory. Accordingly, it was for a Family Division judge to vary or set aside the order and not for the Court of Appeal.

The procedure in Hague Convention cases was summary and intended expeditiously to deal with the mischief of wrongfully removing children from the jurisdiction of their habitual residence. Under article 11 speed was of the essence.

It was entirely different from internal proceedings concerned with making orders based upon the principle of the paramountcy of the welfare of the child.

Article 13, if invoked, dealt with specific instances where the welfare of the child might inhibit an order for return.

Article 13 had to be raised as a defence to a Convention application and a court had to be satisfied that the matters raised were so important as to displace the *prima facie* requirement to return the child upon proof of wrongful removal or wrongful retention.

The order to return or not to return was final in the Hague Convention proceedings brought by the central authority and disposed of those proceedings.

Any proceedings dealing with the custody, residence or other needs of the child were between different parties with considerations wholly different from those relevant to a Convention application to return the child.

Now that her Ladyship had heard further argument on the issue she was not persuaded that her earlier view that a Hague Convention order was a final order was wrong (see *In re M (a Minor) (Child abduction)* ([1994] 1 FLR 390, 397E)) and Mr Justice Johnson had clearly been right to refuse to entertain an application to set aside the order of Mr Justice Kirkwood which was a matter for the Court of Appeal.

It was perhaps helpful to remind those involved in Hague Convention applications about the position of undertakings or conditions attached to an article 12 order to return.

Such requirements were to make the return of the children easier and to provide for their necessities, such as a roof over their head, adequate maintenance, and so on, until, and only until, the court of habitual residence could become seised of the proceedings brought in that jurisdiction.

The court had to be careful not in any way to usurp or to be thought to usurp the functions of the court of habitual residence.

Equally, the requirements made in this country must not be so elaborate that their implementation might become bogged down in protracted hearings and investigations.

Undertakings had their place in the arrangements designed to smooth the return of and to protect the child for the limited period before the foreign court took over, but they must not be used by parties to try to clog or fetter or in particular to delay the enforcement of the paramount decision to return the child.

It would be helpful if realistic time limits for the compliance with the undertakings were included in the orders to return the child. In the absence of a specified time clearly the court would consider a reasonable time and not allow the case to drag on with repeated applications to the court.

Lord Justice McCowan and Sir Tasker Watkins agreed.

Solicitors: Reynolds Porter Chamberlain: Margaret Bennett & Co, Bloomsbury.

Contempt to harass former juror

Attorney General v Judd

It was a contempt of court for a person to interfere with a member of the jury which had convicted him.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Steyn and Mr Justice Kay) so stated on July 5 when making an order to commit Colin Judd to prison for 42 days for contempt of court in intimidating on May 16, 1993 a member of the jury which had convicted him of two offences of unlawful harassment on May 14, 1993 at Croydon Crown Court.

MR JUSTICE KAY said that it was long established law that there should be no improper interference with the administration of justice and jurors should be protected. The principles in *Attorney General v Butterworth* ([1963] 1 QB 696) in relation to witnesses applied equally to jurors. His Lordship could think of no more serious contempt of its type than to interfere with a juror.

The court was satisfied that Mr Judd had intentionally asked the juror to write to the trial judge and tell him that she had been mistaken about his guilt and had intimidated her by his conduct.

He had also been in breach of section 8 of the Contempt of Court Act 1981 by seeking details of the voting, but that contempt was of less concern to the court than the intimidation and would not incur additional penalty.

Meaning of 'payable' for compensation

Director of Public Prosecutions v Scott

The word "payable" in section 35(3)(b)(ii) of the Powers of Criminal Courts Act 1973, as substituted by section 104 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988, meant liable to be paid at some time and did not mean immediately owing.

Therefore, justices could make a compensation order where there was no duty on the Motor Insurers' Bureau to make a payment which would arise when the injured party had obtained a civil judgment.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Rose and Mrs Justice Smith) so held on July 5 in dismissing a prosecution appeal against the decision of Salisbury Justices when sentencing Thomas Scott for careless driving and driving without insurance on November 5, 1993 to include a compensation order against him of only £175, below which the Motor Insurers' Bureau did not make payment, rather than for the full amount of damage done when he struck another motor vehicle.

MRS JUSTICE SMITH said the word "payable" was to be construed in its context in the 1973 Act, as amended.

Section 35(3) as a whole was intended to preclude recovery by a compensation order when it was possible by other means. Payable meant not just immediate payment but being payable at some future time.

New edition of Commercial Court practice

Practice Direction (Commercial Court)

As the Commercial Court approached its centenary in March 1995, a new edition of the *Guide to Commercial Court Practice* has been adopted to reflect changes in the court's practice.

Lord Taylor of Gosforth, Lord Chief Justice, sitting with Mr Justice Ognall and Mr Justice Latham in the Lord Chief Justice of England's Court, so stated handing down a *Practice Direction* on July 28.

THE LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said:

1 This *Practice Direction* shall come into force with effect from July 28.

2 The first edition of the *Guide to Commercial Court Practice* was published in 1986 and the second edition in 1990 [see Appendix A to Order 72 of the Rules of the Supreme Court]. With the approval of the judges of the Commercial Court a third edition had been prepared and adopted by the Commercial Court Committee.

The practice of the court set out in the third edition of the *Guide* should now be followed, subject to the Rules of the Supreme Court and any order that might be made in individual cases. In March 1995 the Commercial Court would celebrate its centenary. The third edition of the *Guide* reflected the court's practice as its centenary approached.

3 As to *Mareva* and *Anton Piller* injunctions (section V of the *Guide*) attention was drawn to the *Practice Direction* dated July 28, 1994 (*The Times* August 2) and the new standard forms (see Appendix II).

4 As to summonses *inter partes* (section VI of the *Guide*) it was not the practice to make "final" orders on applications for extensions of time for pleadings etc. The judge would enquire whether the applicant for an extension had made a proper estimate of the extra time needed by taking reasonable care to ascertain and take into account all relevant factors.

If the judge was satisfied that it would be just to grant the extension sought he would warn the applicant that if the time proved insufficient by reason of matters that could and should have been taken into account, there was a real prospect that the court would on the next occasion consider making an "unless" order with a very short further extension.

5 As to amendment of pleadings (section X of the *Guide*) while it was still possible to prepare amended pleadings using the colour-coding which had been the traditional method for distinguishing between successive amendments, the court introduced in 1992 a scheme for achieving the same object without colours so that ordinary word-processors and photocopiers could be used to print and duplicate the documents. That scheme had now received general acceptance and had been adopted by the court. It should be used whenever possible in the interests of clarity and saving costs.

6 As to the summons for directions (section XII of the *Guide*) in all cases the court required that the parties should be represented at the hearing and that the representatives should have detailed knowledge of the action and the issues in it. Experience had shown that there was much to be gained, even in what appeared to be the simplest cases, from having all parties represented so that any point raised by the court could be considered and dealt with at the hearing.

An informed dialogue between judge and the parties' representatives was seen as an important feature of the court's practice. The judge played a proactive role on the summons for directions, discussing in detail with the parties' representatives how best the litigation could be managed up to and including the trial.

7 As to the trial (section XIX of the *Guide*) if any party objected to the judge reading any material in advance of the trial, that and the grounds of the objection should be clearly stated in a letter accompanying the bundles and in the skeleton arguments.

In particular consideration should be given as to whether there was any objection or reservation to the judge pre-reading the witness statements. In the absence of objection or reservation the judge would be free to read the documents and witness statements in advance.

8 As to alternative dispute resolution (section XXI of the *Guide*) attention was drawn to *Practice Statement (Commercial Court: Alternative dispute resolution)* dated December 10, 1993 (see Appendix I) (*The Times* December 17, 1993; [1994] 1 WLR 14).

Appendix IV (Information for the summons for directions) and Appendix VI (pre-trial check-list) had been amended to include additional questions to ensure that legal advisers in all cases considered with their clients and the other parties concerned the possibility of attempting to resolve the particular dispute or particular issues by mediation, conciliation or otherwise.

NEWS

Civilians urged to join street patrols

■ A government initiative to recruit thousands of civilian volunteers to buttress the police force will be launched by Michael Howard next month as he tries to regain the initiative on law and order.

The Home Secretary wants an expanded role for Neighbourhood Watch, with its five million members empowered to patrol in co-operation with the police, and to reinvigorate the movement by encouraging its development in inner cities and on big housing estates .....Page 1

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The Crime Bill that the House of Representatives defeated on a procedural vote last week was far from a perfect piece of legislation . . . But it was voted down for the wrong reasons. —*The Washington Post*

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Gyuzo, one of the Tokyo Shock Boys, whose outrageous Edinburgh Festival Fringe show has resulted in calls for censorship
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Woodstock's generation gap

■ Can the Woodstock spirit ever be recaptured? And is the music any good? Dylan, Santana, 400,000 people in a field in upstate New York

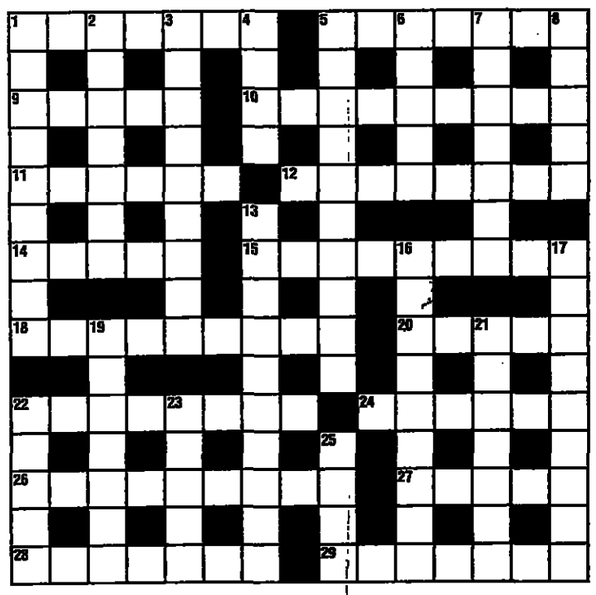
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1 Sibyl follows the Conservative leader, showing craft (7).
5 Caught the second involved in a racket (7).
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14 Band together (5).
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21 Date certain to be a wash-out (7).
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23 Puff over a work-out, though fit (5).
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Saturday: Highest day temp: Bournemouth, Dorset, 22C (72F); lowest day max: Lerwick, Shetland, 12C (54F); highest rainfall: Lerwick, Shetland, and Marston, Kent, 0.08in; highest sunshine: Morecambe, Lancashire, 13.2hr.

☐ General: England and Wales will be dry in most areas. Although there will be cloudy spells, most places will catch a reasonable amount of sunshine, when it will feel pleasant with gentle breezes. Northwestern regions may have a few showers late in the day.

Northern Ireland and the north and west of Scotland will be fairly cloudy with outbreaks of rain, heavy at times in the afternoon and evening.

Southern and eastern parts of Scotland will stay mostly dry with some bright intervals. Thicker cloud will bring rain in the evening.

☐ London, S E England, E Anglia, Central S England, E Midlands, E England, W Midlands, Channel Isles, S W England, S Wales, Central N, N E England: a chilly start. Dry with sunny spells. Wind variable becoming southerly light. Max 21C (70F).

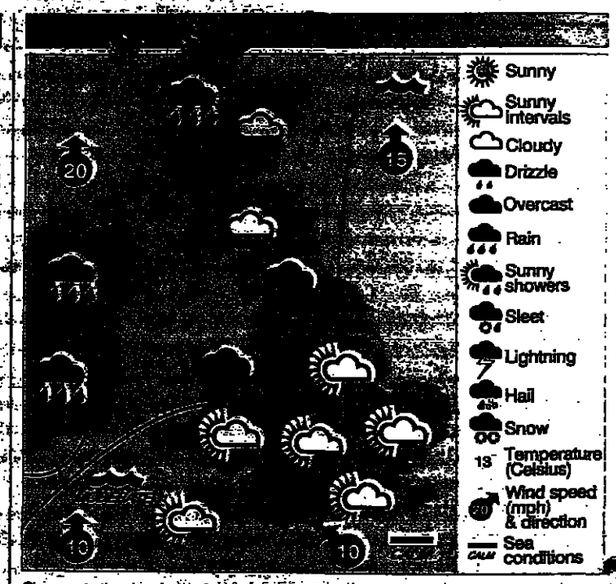
☐ N Wales, N W England, Lake District: mostly dry and bright cloudy later with a few showers. Wind south or southwest light. Max 18C (64F).

☐ Isle of Man, S W Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth: rather cloudy outbreaks of rain late afternoon and evening. Wind southwest light to moderate. Max 18C (64F).

☐ Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee, Aberdeen: dry with bright or sunny intervals, cloudy later with rain. Wind southerly light becoming southwest moderate. Max 19C (66F).

☐ N E Scotland, Argyll, N W Scotland, Orkney, Shetland, N Ireland: mostly cloudy with outbreaks of rain, heavy at times. Wind mainly southerly moderate to fresh. Max 17C (63F).

☐ Outlook: dry in southern and eastern regions at first, otherwise rather cloudy with rain at times.



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24 hrs to 6 pm: t=thunder; d=drizzle; ds=dust storm; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; h=fair; c=cloud; r=rain; h=hail; du=dull; g=gale; sh=shower; b=bright

	Sun hrs	Rain in	C	Max F			Sun hrs	Rain in	C	Max F	
Aberdeen	6.5	0.02	15	59	b	Liverpool	11.8	-	16	61	s
Anglesey	9.8	-	16	61	b	London	7.8	-	21	70	b
Aspatria	11.4	-	17	63	s	Lowestoft	11.1	-	18	64	s
Aviemore	4.3	0.01	13	55	sh	Manchester	10.8	-	19	66	s
Belfast	5.6	-	16	61	c	Margate	9.3	0.01	19	66	s
Birmingham	11.7	-	20	68	s	Minehead	10.7	-	20	68	s
Bognor R	8.9	-	21	70	s	Morecambe	13.2	-	18	64	s
Bournem'th	11.8	-	22	72	s	Newcastle	6.5	-	15	59	b
Bristol	11.1	-	21	70	s	Newquay	10.5	-	16	61	s
Buxton	10.8	-	15	59	s	Norwich	11.3	0.02	17	63	s
Cardiff	10.2	-	19	66	s	Nottingham	X	-	20	68	s
Clacton	7.3	-	19	66	b	Oxford	7.9	-	20	68	s
Cleethorpes	11.5	0.02	18	64	s	Penzance	10.2	-	19	66	s
Colwyn Bay	11.2	-	16	61	s	Plymouth	11.4	-	20	68	s
Cromer	11.0	-	16	61	s	Poole	9.8	-	22	72	s
Doncaster	9.5	-	21	70	s	Prestatyn	X	-	16	61	s
Dunbar	6.4	-	15	59	b	Rhos-o-wys	10.3	-	21	70	s
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Edinburgh	6.1	-	16	61	b	Salcombe	11.8	-	19	66	s
Eskdalemuir	7.3	-	15	59	b	Sandown	10.6	-	21	70	s
Exmouth	11.5	-	20	68	s	Saunton Snd	11.9	-	19	66	s
Falmouth	X	-	17	63	s	Scarboro'	10.1	-	16	61	s
Fishguard	11.3	-	15	59	s	Scilly Isles	7.3	-	18	64	s
Folkestone	8.9	-	20	68	b	Shanklin	11.6	-	20	68	s
Glasgow	12.3	-	17	63	s	Shrewsbury	9.9	-	19	66	s
Guernsey	9.3	-	19	66	s	Skegness	10.5	0.01	16	61	s
Hastings	4.8	-	19	66	b	Southport	11.9	-	17	63	s
Hayling I.	10.3	-	20	68	s	Southsea	9.0	-	X	X	s
Heme Bay	9.4	-	19	66	s	Stornoway	9.7	-	14	57	b
Hove	6.9	0.01	21	70	b	Swanage	11.4	-	21	70	s
Hunstanton	X	-	17	63	s	Teignmouth	11.4	-	20	68	s
Isle of Man	10.8	-	18	61	s	Tenby	12.5	-	17	63	s
Jersey	10.2	-	20	68	s	Tiree	10.2	0.01	15	59	b
Kinloss	5.1	0.01	15	59	sh	Torquay	12.1	-	21	70	s
Leeds	11.0	-	20	68	s	Tynemouth	7.0	-	13	55	s
Lerwick	9.7	0.06	12	54	sh	Ventnor	11.8	-	22	72	s
Leuchars	4.4	-	15	59	c	Weymouth	11.1	-	21	70	s
Littlehmptn	7.4	-	19	66	b						

These are Saturday's figures.

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	7.30	6.5	7.51	6.5
Aberdeen	7.15	9.7	7.36	9.5
Avonmouth	12.25	44.0	12.47	42.0
Barrow	4.40	30.0	5.19	30.0
Cardiff			12.31	9.96
Devonport	1.30	5.6		
Dover	4.20	6.7	5.11	6.7
Fishguard	1.30	20.0	1.50	20.0
Glasgow	6.10	14.4	6.35	4.1
Heysham	4.30	30.0	5.05	30.0
Holyhead	12.25	19.0	12.55	4.7
Hull				
Ilfracombe	1.30	5.6		
Kings Lynn			12.05	5.8
Liverpool	4.30	30.0	5.05	30.0
Llandudno	4.30	30.0	5.05	30.0

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
Liverpool	4.43	8.1	5.21	7.9
Lowestoft	2.55	2.1	3.23	2.3
Margate	5.31	4.2	5.59	4.2
Milford Haven	..	..	12.03	5.8
Newquay	11.00	5.7	11.37	5.6
Oban	11.52	3.0		
Penzance	10.48	4.8	11.26	4.4
Portland	..	..	12.18	1.8
Portsmouth	4.49	4.1	5.29	4.1
Shoreham	4.33	5.2	5.11	5.2
Southampton	4.23	4.0	5.00	4.0
Swansea	..	..	12.09	7.9
Tees	8.58	4.8	10.12	4.4
Whitehaven	5.12	8.7	5.40	8.4

Corrections may be received. All tide times are GMT.

Ajaccio	31	88	s	G'phagn	23	73	f	Madrid	31	88	s
Akrotiri	33	91	s	Corfu	36	97	s	Majorca	34	93	s
Alex'dria	30	86	s	Dublin	14	57	c	Malaga	29	84	s
Algiers	33	91	s	Dubrovnik	31	88	s	Malta	33	91	s
Amst'dm	17	63	c	Faro	27	81	s	Mello'rne	15	59	c
Athens	35	95	s	Florence	29	84	s	Mexico C	-	--	
Bahrain	38	97	s	Frankfurt	17	63	r	Miami	24	75	r
Bangkok	34	93	f	Funchal	25	77	s	Milan	30	86	f
Barbados	30	86	c	Geneva	23	73	f	Montreal	24	75	f
Barcelona	27	81	s	Gibraltar	29	84	s	Moscow	21	70	f
Beirut	29	84	f	Helsinki	19	66	c	Munich	19	66	c
Belgrade	30	86	s	Hong K'	32	90	f	Nairobi	23	73	r
Berlin	18	64	f	Innsbruck	20	68	f	Naples	30	86	f
Bermuda	33	91	s	Istanbul	32	90	s	N Delhi	36	97	f
Biarritz	22	72	f	Jeddah	35	95	s	N York	27	81	s
Borde'x	26	79	f	Jo'burg	21	70	s	Nice	28	84	s
Brussels	17	63	f	Karachi	32	90	f	Oslo	24	75	f
Budapest	25	77	f	L.Palmas	25	77	f	Paris	17	63	c
B Aires	21	70	f	Le Tquet	18	64	f	Peking	28	79	r
Cairo	36	97	s	Lisbon	25	77	s	Perth	15	59	f
Cape Tn	17	63	s	Locarno	29	84	s	Prague	17	63	f
Chicago	19	66	c	L.Angels	31	88	s	Reykjavik	10	50	s
Ch'church	-	--		Luxembg	18	61	c	Rhodes	31	88	s
Cologne	18	64	c	Luxor	39	102	s	Rio de J	19	66	f

Riyadh	42	108	s	Tenerife	27	81	s				
Rome	30	86	s	Salzburg	22	72	f				
S F'risco	22	72	s	Tel Aviv	32	90	f				
Santiago	02	144	s	Toronto	21	70	c				
S Paulo	19	66	f	Tunis	34	93	s				
Seoul	33	91	f	Valencia	30	86	f				
Sing'pore	31	88	t	Vancouver	20	68	s				
St'kholm	21	70	f	Venice	28	82	s				
Strasb'rg	19	66	f	Vienna	24	75	f				
Sydney	19	66	r	Warsaw	23	73	s				
Tangier	27	81	s	Wash'ton	31	88	f				
Tokyo	32	90	s	Zurich	18	61	c				

Temperatures at midday local time on Friday. X = not available

Sunrise 5.24 am to 8.47 am
Bristol 8.33 pm to 5.57 am
Edinburgh 8.50 pm to 5.46 am
Manchester 8.36 pm to 5.50 am
Penzance 8.41 pm to 6.13 am

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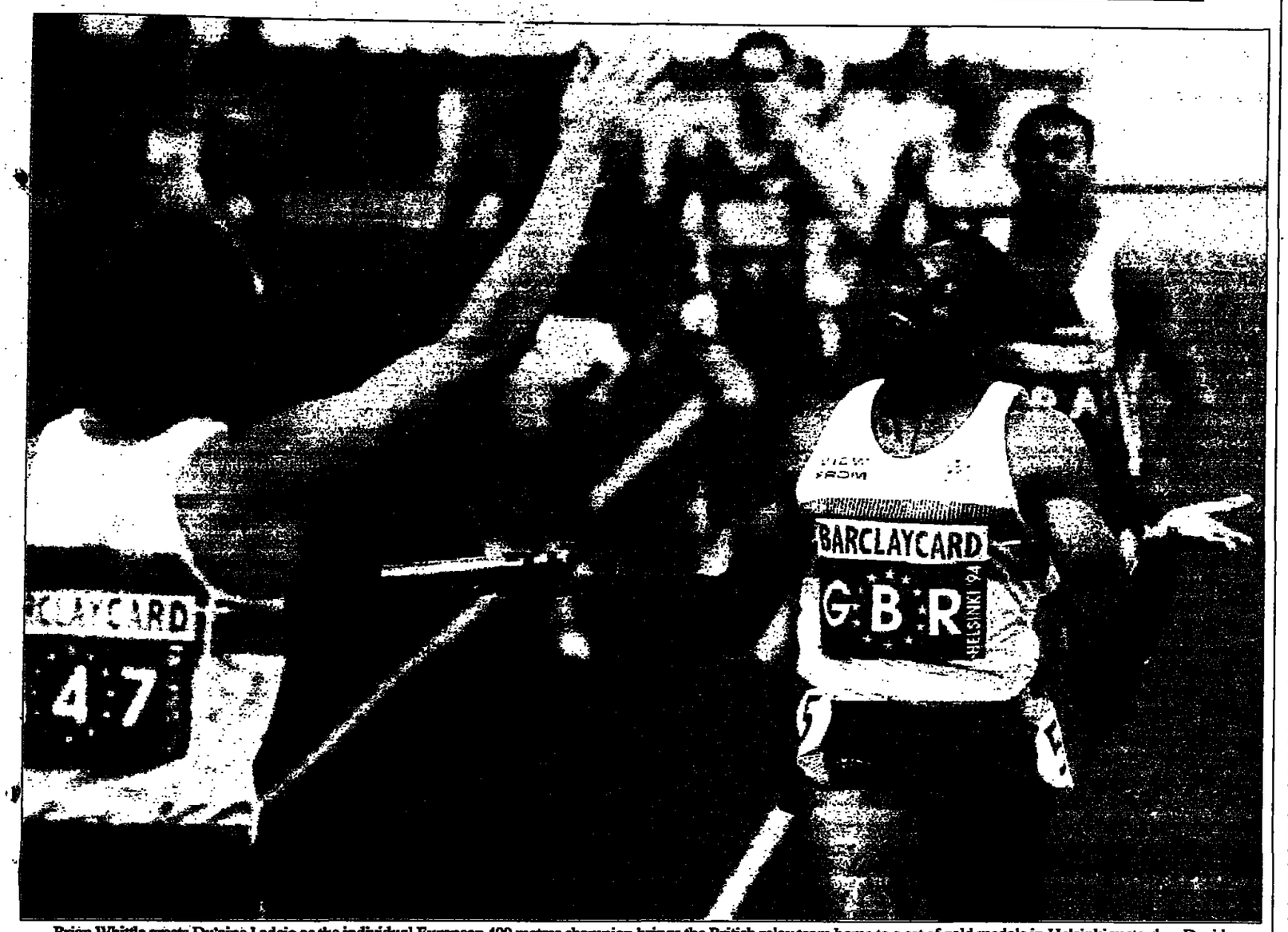
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Easy does it for the Great Britain 4 x 400 metres relay team



Brian Whittle greets Du'aine Ladejo as the individual European 400 metres champion brings the British relay team home to a set of gold medals in Helsinki yesterday. David McKenzie, the lead-off man, and Roger Black, who ran 43.94sec on the third leg, completed the quartet, which had nearly two seconds to spare over the French runners-up

Champions return just where they left off

Manchester United.....2
Blackburn Rovers 0

BY PETER BALL

ERIC Cantona began the new season as he ended the last. In May, his penalties took Manchester United to the FA Cup and the elusive double. Yesterday, he was again on the spot, his penalty putting United on their way to retaining the FA Charity Shield with a convincing win over a weakened Blackburn.

Cantona, who also played an important part in the second goal scored by Paul Ince, which made the game safe at a time when Blackburn, after being distinctly second-best for most of a warm afternoon, were enjoying their most productive spell. Overall, his influence in a richly entertaining opening to the new season was all-pervasive.

If the season's traditional opening match is anything to go by — and it often is — Cantona's penalty may not be the only similarity between this season and last. Blackburn's weakened state, with David Batty and five forwards, including Alan Shearer and Chris Sutton, all missing, meant that judgments have to be cautious, but there seems little doubt that United will again set the pace.

Judgment on Blackburn may have to wait until they are closer to full strength, but their resilience throughout and their recovery in the final 20 minutes suggest that they will follow doggedly on, just as they did last season.

Their contribution was excellent in a competitive game, in which the seven bookings said more about the vigorous application of the new rules than any malice of forethought.

Kenny Dalgish the Blackburn manager and Alex Ferguson is United counterpart, always seem to disagree and their views of Mr Don's performance, and the new approach following on from the summer's world cup were predictably at odds.

"You couldn't justify seven bookings in a game like that," Dalglish complained. "If you take common sense away, the referee's don't have a chance and the players won't have a chance."

Ferguson took the opposite view: "Giggs, perhaps, was a little unlucky, but all the rest were deserved bookings. It is what the game has needed and I thought the referee did very well."

Cantona, though, was the game's central figure: "On this form, you forgive him almost anything," one supporters said. "Whatever he does, they shouldn't ban him. All they are doing by banning him is depriving opposing fans of a glimpse of genius." Deprived they will be, though, for the first three games of the season.

Nevertheless, there was more than a glimpse of that genius yesterday. The Charity Shield is one of his favourite occasions. Two years ago, he scored three goals for Leeds. Yesterday, he was heavily involved in United's best moments, roaming the field to keep the attack moving with his flicks and passes or bursting himself to test Gale and Hendry. May, too, was impressive on his United debut.

Gale, making his Wembley debut at the advanced age of 34, coped quite well, Flowers made one almost unbelievable save from a Hughes volley and Berg, as always, had a good game against Giggs, but, as the pressure mounted, Hendry had one or two of those moments of aberration that undermine him.

He had just been booked for bringing Cantona down as the Frenchman played a one-two when he erred again, tripping Ince as he went past him, to advance on Flowers. The referee awarded the penalty and



Ince: winner

Cantona made no mistake.

United should have been comfortably ahead by the interval, but they failed to exploit their superiority as the sun beat down and, with 25 minutes remaining, Blackburn began to press with convincing conviction.

Pearce, who had led the attack with some verve, missed their best opportunity and Ince ended the recovery as Cantona backheaded the ball to him following a corner and, with his back to goal, Ince's bicycle kick left Flowers helpless.

"The best goal of the season?" a foreign journalist asked. "No," Ferguson replied, "but it has put down a good marker for the rest."

MANCHESTER UNITED (4-2-4) P Schmeichel — D May, S Bruce, G Pallister, I Sharpe — B McClair, P Ince — A Kanchelskis, E Cantona, M Hughes, R Giggs.
BLACKBURN ROVERS (4-4-2) T Flowers — H Berg, A Gale, C Hendry, G Le Saux — R Slater, M Atkins (sub: P Thorne 64), T Sherwood, J Wilcox — S Ripley, I Pearce
Referee: P Don

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England turn back to Gatting

BY ALAN LEE
CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

SEVEN years ago this week, Mike Gatting made the last of his Test centuries, at the Oval. He returns there tomorrow, offered the chance to revive an often turbulent and sometimes tormented England career at the age of 37.

Gatting will play in the decisive final Test against South Africa only if Graham Gooch fails a fitness test on his strained hamstring. Gooch is confident this will not happen. But by restoring Gatting to the squad at such a sensitive time, the England selectors have given him reason to believe that he will fulfil his remaining ambition in the game and make another tour of Australia.

The need to win at the Oval to save the series is reflected in England's selection. Angus Fraser's dependability has been sacrificed for Devon Malcolm's contradictory fast-bowling qualities — something between explosive and eccentric. There is also dangerous talk of a gung-ho approach with four seam bowlers and no specialist spinner. None of this, however, approaches the recall of Gatting as a source of intrigue and speculation. It is something even he had not expected this summer and its significance transcends the obvious justification that he remains one of the best and most consistent batsmen in the country.

Not everyone with a say in such things was wholly impressed with the captaincy of Michael Atherton at Headingley. There is no suggestion he has lost the essential support of Raymond Illingworth, but, dismaying though it is to those who believe a captain discredited at the age of 31 to be an obsolete, discredited captain of 37, Gatting still has a lobby that is agitating for him to lead again.

Atherton is still expected to be confirmed as captain for the winter tour during the next week. There would rightly be a public outcry if it was not. But Gatting's presence this week is thought, by some in the selection process, to be as rather more than simply a reserve batsman.

Gatting's best days came on the 1986-87 tour of Australia, when he led England to the Ashes. "Whatever has happened since," he is fond of saying, "they can't take away the memory of that winter." The reference to subsequent events encompasses disgrace in Pakistan, dismissal as captain in 1988, the veto of his reinstatement in 1989 and a disenchanted flight to South Africa. Gatting's ambiguous "they" almost always refers to the hierarchy of the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB), which, he maintains, treated him callously.

There remains a frost between Gatting and the TCCB and he is inclined to express indignation whenever certain individuals are mentioned. He has been irrational in this, hence his misguided South African venture, but to his credit it has never affected his cricket or his commitment to Middlesex. He has been his county's soul and inspiration.

He last played for England on his home ground at Lord's, 14 months ago, and lost his place after looking unconvincing against the Australian spin bowlers. His last 29 Test innings produced only four scores of more than 50, and if his return of nine centuries from 74 Tests is disappointing, the curiosity is that they were all made between his 31st and 58th Tests.

Gatting, however, has been in his usual commanding form for Middlesex this season, averaging 54 in the championship. "I didn't really think I would get in the side this summer," he said yesterday. "The Australian tour was my big aim and it is very encouraging for that. I certainly don't feel I am too old — I'm still playing very well."

Illingworth endorses this. He has long admired Gatting's ability and approach and said yesterday: "We have talked about him in selection all season. He is, of course, in our thoughts for Australia because we have a lot of young blokes in the team and we need some experience as well."

The chairman's understanding was that Gooch had only a 50 per cent chance of being fit. Gooch himself puts it markedly higher. His programme will include a light workout tomorrow, when the party gathers, and a serious training session on Wednesday. No matter how Gooch feels then, Gatting will remain with the side until the morning of the match, rejoining Middlesex if eventually not required.

Fraser is mortified by his exclusion and disputes the theory that his bowling has lacked incision this year. He has, however, taken only 14 wickets in five Tests and Illingworth says: "He hasn't looked very penetrative. The ball also tends to swing at the Oval and Joey Benjamin is much more a swing bowler."

Benjamin and Malcolm, who has not been included since leaving Lord's in high dudgeon after being released on the eve of the New Zealand Test in June, may yet both play on Illingworth's assessment that "if the pitch looks like it did last year, it won't turn in a week". This, however, would be to ignore the impressive impact and present form of Philip Tufnell. He can contain as effectively as he attacks and to reject him would be to court a one-dimensional attack.



Gatting: still ambitious

ENGLAND XI

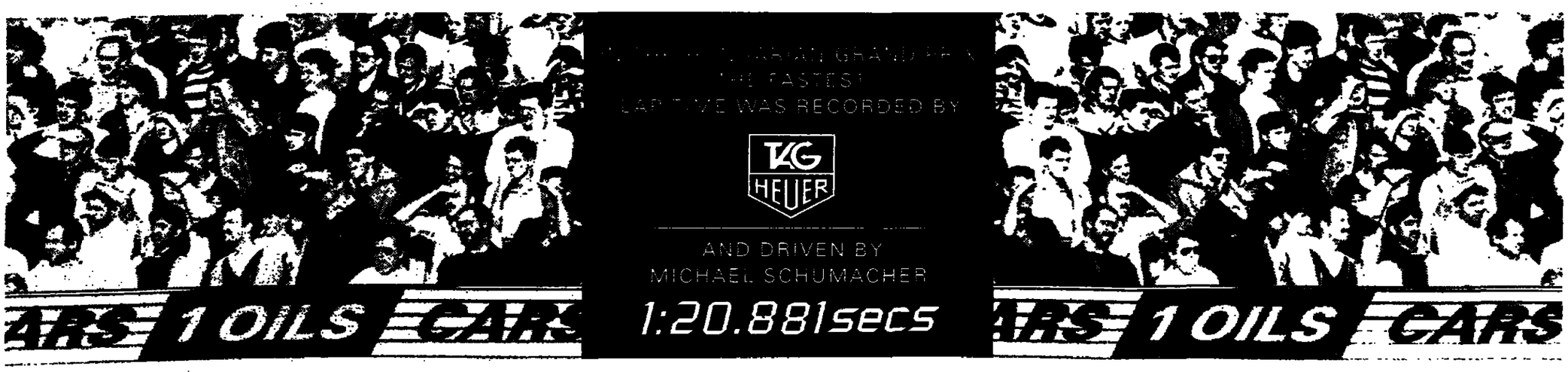
	Age	Tests
M A Atherton (Lancs)	26	39
G A Gooch (Essex)	41	112
G A Hick (Worcs)	28	28
G P Thorpe (Surrey)	25	9
A J Stewart (Surrey)	31	42
J P Crawley (Lancs)	22	2
M W Gatting (Middx)	37	74
S J Rhodes (Worcs)	30	5
P A J DeFreitas (Derby)	28	38
D Gough (Yorks)	23	3
J E Benjamin (Surrey)	33	0
P C R Tufnell (Middx)	28	18
D E Malcolm (Derby)	31	27

Series details
First Test (Lord's): South Africa beat England by 356 runs.
Second Test (Headingley): drawn.
Third Test (The Oval): August 18 to 22



Malcolm: extra pace

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Price close to historic victory

From John Hopkins
Golf Correspondent
in Tulsa

ONE month to the day after winning the Open at Turnberry, Nick Price was poised to take his third major title as the US PGA Championship reached its conclusion here at Southern Hills yesterday. Price, 37, led by three strokes going into the fourth round of this year's fourth major championship.

Six major championship winners — Ben Crenshaw, Greg Norman, Ernie Els, José Maria Olazábal, Tom Watson and Jeff Sluman — were gathered within six strokes of Price as he strove to become the first golfer to win successive major titles since Tom Watson won the US Open and the Open in 1982.

Of these, Norman was the one Price feared most. "Greg is the one who can catch fire tomorrow," Price said after his lacklustre level par 70 in the third round, a round during which his lead was whittled away by two strokes. "If the wind dies a little, he's the player out there capable of shooting 62 or 63. If Greg really gets it going as we all know he can do in the last round of the championships, then I'm going to be keeping an eye on what he's doing tomorrow as well."

Price has any number of weapons in his armoury to help to ward off his challengers. The first is his present form. After returning from Turnberry, he finished fourth in a tournament in Memphis, recording a 64 in his final round. Come to that, since he won at the 1992 US PGA Championship at Bellerive, St Louis, his form has been remarkable, making him indisputably the world's leading player.

He has recorded 15 victories worldwide and 28 top-ten finishes, and the quality of his play is such that it drew a rare tribute from Ben Crenshaw, the game's historian, who said: "Nick is striking the ball better than any player since [Ben] Hogan or [Byron] Nelson."

There was also an odd statistic that suggested that Price would hold off his rivals. In the four previous major tournaments held at Southern Hills (the 1958 and 1977 US Opens and the 1970 and 1982 US PGAs), the leader after 54 holes has gone on to win.

Ian Woosnam had a run of threes that took him from three over to level par after 68 holes, which would suggest that the spark of improvement that was evident in his first round, a 68, has not dimmed. Woosnam, like Sandy Lyle, is struggling for his future. At times he plays so badly and talks so dispiritedly about his golf that an unwelcome thought enters the mind: perhaps he should give up?

There is a link between Price and Lyle, the man at the head of the field and the man at the bottom of it, and it is not just that they knew each other well when Price played on the European tour in the early eighties. It is that Dave Musgrove caddied for both of them. Musgrove, who now totes Lee Janzen's bag, worked for Price years ago in the world junior championships before enjoying a long and successful spell with Lyle during which Lyle won the Open and US Masters.

Price was still asleep when Lyle arrived at the course to prepare for his 7.23am tee-off time in the fourth round. Lyle was first out yesterday morning, a real dew-sweeper, starting when the skies were grey and, for this part of the world at least, it was chilly. Less than three hours later he came off the course perspiring and dispirited. A round of 76 put him 17 over par for the tournament and last but one.

Lyle has just left the embraces of IMG, Mark McCormack's management company, to join Vantage International, a much smaller American-based concern, in a move that may be good for Vantage but somehow exemplifies the downward spiral of Lyle's fortunes. Did he go or was he pushed?

At the conclusion of his fourth round, he cut rather a sad figure. He said he had tried experimenting. "Did you find anything?" he was asked. "Nothing," he replied. "I am totally bemused." What more can befall poor Sandy?

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Price blasts out of a bunker at the fourth to save par during the third round of the US PGA Championship

US unless stated

EARLY FINISHERS: 284: B Faxon 72, 73, 73, 66. 286: F Couples 68, 74, 75, 69. 287: N Lancaster 73, 72, 72, 70. 288: W Andrade 71, 71, 78, 68. 289: D Hart 72, 71, 75, 71; F Funk 76, 69, 72, 72; H Sutton 76, 69, 72, 72. 290: R Floyd 69, 76, 73, 72; T Nakajima (Japan) 73, 71, 74, 72; R McDougal 76, 69, 72, 73. 291: L Janzen 73, 71, 73, 74; J D Blake 72, 71, 74, 74; P Stewart 72, 73, 72, 74. 292: D Hammond 74, 69, 76, 73; 297: A Lyle (GB) 75, 70, 76, 76; D Pride 75, 69, 73, 80. 298: B Henninger 77, 66, 78, 76; H Meshiai (Japan) 74, 71, 74, 79.

LEADERS AFTER THREE ROUNDS: 202: N Price (Zim) 67, 65, 70. 205: J Haas 70, 67, 68. 206: P Mickelson 68, 71, 67; C Pavin 70, 67, 69. 207: G Norman (Aus) 71, 69, 67; J Cook 71, 67, 69; B Crenshaw 70, 67, 70. 208: J Sluman 70, 72, 66; T Watson 69, 72, 67; L Roberts 69, 72, 67; E Els (SA) 68, 71, 69; J M Olazábal (Sp) 72, 66, 70. 209: S Elkington (Aus) 73, 70, 66; T Kite 72, 68, 69; C Parry (Aus) 70, 69, 70; G Day 70, 69, 70. 210: D Frost (SA) 70, 71, 69; M McNulty (Zim) 72, 68, 70. 211: R Zokol (Can) 77, 67, 67; B Langer (Ger) 73, 71, 67; L Mize 72, 72, 67; B Lane (GB) 70, 73, 68; N Faldo (GB) 73, 67, 71; K Triplett 71, 69, 71.

Dixon too smart for rivals in British Open

By Jenny MacArthur

KAREN Dixon, the winner of a team gold and individual bronze medal at the world three-day-event championships last month, continued her formidable run of success when she won the coveted British Open championship at Gatcombe Park on Saturday with her eight-year-old Punchestown winner, Too Smart.

In a gripping finish to the championships, Dixon, the last to go over Mark Phillips's challenging cross-country course, survived a sticky moment at fence three — when the young horse took off too early — to finish in a time of 7min 01sec and retain her slender lead ahead of William Fox-Pitt and Chaka.

"I remembered what happened last year and was determined to stay in the plate," Dixon said afterwards in a reference to her fall with Get Smart at the water last year.

Fox-Pitt's resolve had been similarly sharpened by the memory of his disappointing ride at Badminton, where Chaka, who was third at Gatcombe in 1991, had two refusals.

Mark Todd, New Zealand's dual Olympic champion, produced the fastest time in the competition on his new horse, Bertie Blunt — the former British team horse — which he sat on for the first time six days ago. "He's a very experienced horse and gave me a great ride," Todd said.

Yesterday, Todd produced another mesmerising performance on a chance ride when, on the 10-year-old Chessman, he relegated his friend and compatriot, Andrew Nicholson, on Walk on Top, to second place in the British intermediate championships.

Todd, who took over the ride on Chessman from Leslie Law only last week, finished 0.01sec inside Nicholson's time. Law was third on Sam Barr's Welton Envoy.

Nicholson had an extraordinary weekend. Having had a refusal on Spinning Rhombus in the British Open at fence 18, he had two falls on Buckley's Province in Advanced Section 1 before winning on Cartoon II.

Discord that bodes ill for Dundee United

It is given to few teams to create football history in successive matches. At Easter Road on Saturday, Dundee United wincingly achieved that feat. In the final game of last season, they had, for the first time, won the Scottish Cup. On Saturday, United lost 5-0 to Hibernian, their worst defeat since the Scottish League premier division began in 1974.

Indeed, the club has not sustained such a loss for a quarter of a century, when Celtic administered a 7-2 drubbing in December 1969. The result in Edinburgh appeared to bear out reports of division within Tannadice. Ivan Golac has been manager for just one year, but his predecessor, Jim McLean, who held that post for 22 years, remains as the club chairman.

There is no known affinity between the men. Golac is gregarious, McLean forbidding. The newcomer has a relaxed and, judging by the cup final, productive manner. Last week, with the season looming, he even took off to his house in Southampton for a couple of days. This sort of behaviour is unlikely to be within McLean's understanding, let alone his tolerance.

Such circumstances make speculation inevitable. Precisely how much authority does Golac wield? There may be no meddling with the team selection, but there are increasing doubts over his scope for action in the transfer market. A day after the cup final, Golac attempted to gauge his own strength as he spoke of testing the club's ambition and buying a more expensive brand of player.

Resistance was immediately evident in a sinuous statement from Dundee United that seemed to back the manager but, in reality, probably blocked him. While confirming that sums were available to Golac, it also insisted that the club's existing wage structure could not be breached. That proviso is of great significance.

It is known that players at Tannadice earn a basic sum of £300 per week, before bonuses. Suffice it to say that Tottenham Hotspur did not have to worry about competition from United when they were fending off other bidders and securing Jürgen Klinsmann's services.

Simply keeping existing members of the Tannadice squad can prove impossible. In the close season, Guido van de Kamp, the goalkeeper, packed away his Scottish Cup-winners' medal and returned to Holland, refusing to accept the new contract offered, even though he is now without a club.

So far, the principal acquisition Golac has made this summer is a replacement for the goalkeeper, but Henrik Jorgensen, who lost five goals in that debut at Easter Road, cost just £180,000. Golac shows every sign of a man in distress. He was gone from the ground within 15 minutes of the final whistle on Saturday, leaving his team behind.

There were mitigating circumstances in Edinburgh. Among numerous injuries and suspensions, the absence of Andy McLaren was particularly exasperating. He had been suspended for sleeping in and missing training on Friday. Indeed, it was almost mid-day before the Rip van Winkle winger reached the ground.

Those who were at Easter Road also give the impres-

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Scottish commentary

sion that the referee displayed a gunslinger's twitchiness, firing off bookings whenever there was any sudden movement. Eleven yellow cards were brandished. Alex Cleland, of United, had two of them to himself and so departed, after 26 minutes, but it is claimed that his final offence was a mere push as Kevin McAllister backed into him.

Even if the trip to play St Mirren in the Coca-Cola Cup tomorrow looks intimidating, United will play far better as the season progresses. However, there is now reason to doubt whether that Scottish Cup final success will really propel the side forward.

The club's supporters are frustrated, but Scottish football as a whole cannot afford to be indifferent to discord at Tannadice. Rangers, who scraped a late and anxious win over Motherwell on Saturday, have few enough pursuers without United's name being scored off that brief list.

Neumann's pursuers offered little hope

By Patricia Davies

IT WAS 1988 when Liselotte Neumann won the US Women's Open championship, rather to everyone's surprise. When, at Woburn yesterday, the elegant Swede, now a mature 28-year-old, won the Weetabix British Open for the first time, it surprised nobody, merely confirming her status as a player of genuine world class.

Neumann, three strokes ahead of Cindy Figg-Currier, the expectant mother from Texas, after three rounds, played altogether too steadily for her pursuers, despite a little wobble towards the end when she dropped three strokes in five holes. However, since she preceded bogeys at the 15th and 16th with birdies at the 13th and 14th, where she chipped in from 15 yards, she was never in any real danger.

As she said herself: "Nobody was making a move." She kept an eye on the leaderboard all afternoon — Jesper Parnevik please note — and, in the end, a round of 72, one under par, was enough to give her the title and the first prize of £52,500, the largest cheque in European women's golf.

Neumann finished on 280, 12 under par, three shots ahead of Annika Sorenstam, a bouncy 23-year-old from Stockholm, and Dottie Mochrie, the US player of the year in 1992 and a competitor of unequalled ferocity. Laura Davies, straining to win an unprecedented three tournaments in succession, had to settle for a share of fourth place.

No tournament on the Duke's course is ever over until it's over, for the 18th hole, a par five of 462 yards, is liable to yield up more than the odd eagle. However, Davies, Mochrie and Sorenstam could not manage it. Davies, who needed to hole a chip from just off the back of the green, was too bold and missed the putt back.

Woburn is not the ideal place for Davies to display her talents, and the record crowd of nearly 12,000 scattered among the pines were given little encouragement to roar on the world No 1, who birdied only two of the five par fives.

It was Sorenstam, as engaging as she is talented, who threatened to be Neumann's biggest headache when she went out in 32 to move to nine under. However, she came home in 38, and her last reasonable chance probably disappeared at the 13th, where she failed to pick up a birdie four, just as Neumann was rescuing her par at the short 11th with a tricky five-foot putt after being bunkered.

FINAL SCORES (GB and Ire unless stated): 280: L Neumann (Swe) 71, 67, 70, 72. 283: D Mochrie (US) 73, 66, 74, 70; A Sorenstam (Swe) 69, 75, 69, 70. 284: L Davies 74, 66, 73, 71; C Dibnah (Aus) 75, 70, 67, 72. 285: C Figg-Currier (US) 69, 74, 68, 74. 286: H Alfredsson (Swe) 71, 76, 71, 68. 287: T Hanson (US) 74, 73, 66, 74. 288: C Pierce 70, 75, 71, 72; V Skinner (US) 77, 71, 66, 74; S Strudwick 71, 71, 71, 75. 289: H Kobayashi (Japan) 73, 73, 69, 74. 290: S Gautrey (Aus) 69, 74, 72, 75. 291: M McGuire (NZ) 71, 73, 78, 69; P Grice-Whittaker 77, 72, 72, 70; T Abitbol (Sp) 76, 68, 75, 72. 292: E Knuth (Sp) 78, 69, 72, 73; J Geddes (US) 74, 72, 72, 74; Li Wen-Lin (Taiwan) 73, 70, 73, 76, S Gronberg (Swe) 71, 69, 74, 78.

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

DURHAM, North Carolina: US-Pan African meeting: Winners: Men: 200m: F Fredericks (Nam) 20 23. 1,500m: H Sedki (Mor) 3:40 48. 3,000m: P Bitok (Ken) 7:44 41. 3,000m steeplechase: M Birir (Ken) 8 33 78. 4 x 100m relay: 1. Africa 38.72, 2. United States 39 68. Long jump: M Powell (US) 8 02m. Shot: R Barnes (US) 20.75m. Women: 200m: G Torrence (US) 21.85. 400m: M Malone (US) 50.71. 800m: M Mutola (Moz) 1.58.15. 100m hurdles: J Joyner-Kersee (US) 13 12. 400m hurdles: K Batten (US) 55 05. 4 x 400m relay: 1. United States 3 26 63; 2. Africa 3:27 63

AUSTRALIAN RULES

MELBOURNE: West Coast Eagles 10.13 (73) bt North Melbourne 9 10 (64); Collingwood 13 14 (92) bt Melbourne 9 10 (64); Footscray 17 15 (117) bt St Kilda 10 12 (72); Geelong 13.22 (100) bt Fitzroy 8 11 (59). Sydney Swans 9 16 (70) bt Carlton 8.14 (62). Hawthorn 18 9 (117) bt Richmond 11.23 (89). Adelaide Crows 13.11 (89) bt Brisbane Bears 12.14 (86)

BADMINTON

YOGYAKARTA: Indonesian open: Semi-finals: Men: J Suprianto (Indo) bt F Permadi (Indo) 15-12, 15-4: A Wiranata (Indo) bt H Arbi (Indo) 4-15, 15-4, 15-5 Women: S Susanti (Indo) bt Y Kartika (Indo) 11-5, 11-2; B Soo Hyun (S Kor) bt J Sentosa (Indo) 11-2, 11-7

BASEBALL

MANAGUA: World amateur championships: Semi-finals: Cuba 13 Nicaragua 1, South Korea 9 Japan 0

BASKETBALL

TORONTO: World championships: Group I: United States 111 Russia 94. Group II: Croatia 81 Greece 55. Semi-finals: United States 97 Greece 58, Russia 66 Croatia 64. Play-offs: Egypt 69 Cuba 54. South Korea 75 Angola 71, Spain 90 Brazil 85, Argentina 85 Germany 71, Australia 95 China 57; Puerto Rico 85 Canada 82. Brazil 93 Germany 71. South Korea 74 Egypt 69; Cuba 75 Angola 67. Argentina 74 Spain 65.

BOWLS

WORTHING: Open Tournament: Singles final: M Dare (King's, Torquay) bt B Dixon (Leigh Park, Portsmouth) 21-9. Triples final: E Hayward (Worthing), B Jones (Uxbridge) and W Hayward (Worthing) bt B Johns (Epsom Park), J Exton (Epsom) and K Caulder (Epsom Park) 21-11.

Eastern Counties League: Bedfordshire 109 Suffolk 115; Essex 131 Cambridgeshire 99. Home Counties League: Kent 139 Middlesex 115. Inter County: Hertfordshire 127 Wiltshire 116, Huntingdonshire 126 Leicestershire 133, Northants 124 Oxfordshire 127; Warwickshire 109 Buckinghamshire 113

BOXING

ATLANTIC CITY: Heavyweight bout: Riddick Bowe v Buster Mathis Jr, no contest.

CRICKET

CAMBRIDGE: NAYO festival: Sussex 192. Surrey 193-4. Surrey won by six wickets. Middlesex 185-9. Nottinghamshire 186-7. Nottinghamshire won by three wickets. Northamptonshire 122. Norfolk 123-6. Norfolk won by four wickets. Bedfordshire 185-8. Cambridge 122. Bedfordshire won by 63 runs. Lincolnshire 230. Hunts 211-9. Lincolnshire won by 19 runs.

OXFORD: NAYO festival: Somerset 194-9. Glamorgan 176. Somerset won by 18 runs. Staffordshire 175-9. Derbyshire 176-1. Derbyshire won by nine wickets.

CROQUET

CHESTER: World championships: Group A: R Bamford (SA) bt P Archer (Guern) +26tp. Bamford bt S Jones (NZ) +26tp. Jones bt Archer +25. Group B: R Fulford (Eng) bt T Barlow (SA) +17, M Kobelt (Aus) bt Fulford +19. Barlow bt Kobelt +10. Group C: P Fellows (NZ) bt P de Petra (It) +13tp. D Openshaw (Eng) bt Fellows +3. Openshaw bt de Petra +26. Group D: D Cornelius (Eng) bt S Mulliner (Eng) +4tp. Cornelius bt I Burridge (Wal) +15. Group E: M Taylor (Aus) bt T Nozaki (Japan) +26tp. P Day (Eng) bt Nozaki +17. Day bt Taylor +11. Group F: D Goacher (Eng) bt P Cordingley (Eng) +16; Goacher bt G Garlick (Can) +26tp. Cordingley bt Garlick +16tp: Goacher bt A Westerby (NZ) +8. Group G: C Irwin (Eng) bt A le Moignan (Jer) +14tp. Irwin bt I Bond (Scot) +26tp. Bond bt le Moignan +16. le Moignan bt C Knox (SA) +12. Group H: C Clarke (Eng) bt R Carter (Aus) +26tp: Clarke bt P Payne (Switz) +23tp. Carter bt Payne +14, P Skinley (NZ) bt J Dyer (Scot) +17. Dyer bt Payne +5. Group B: Play-off: C Williams (Wales) bt T Barlow (SA) +2. Group D: S Mulliner (Eng) bt I Burridge (Wales) +17tp.

First round: R Bamford (SA) bt P Fellows (NZ) +26tp, 26: B Northey (Aus) bt P Day (Eng) -17, +4, +3, R Fulford (Eng) bt B Jackson (NZ) +26tp, +20. P Cordingley bt R Carter (Aus) +15, +17, D Maugham (Eng) bt R Thomas (US) +25tp, +25, M Taylor (Aus) bt I Bond (Scot) +16, +17, D Cornelius (Eng) bt Williams +26tp, +26; A Westerby (NZ) bt P Skinley (NZ) +26, +25; S Williams (Ire) bt A le Moignan (Jer) +24tp. S Cornish (Eng) bt D Openshaw (Eng) +15, +17tp, D Goacher bt J Dyer (Scot) +4, +1. M Kobelt (Aus) bt Burridge +20, -17, +2. C Irwin bt R Rebuschatis (US) +26, +23, J Stark (US) bt S Jones (NZ) +4tp, +8tp, S Clarke (Eng) bt G Garlick (Can) +26, +26tp; Mulliner bt D Grimsley (US) +26tp, +17tp. Second round: Bamford bt Northey +26tp, +13tp; Fulford bt Cordingley +26tp, +26tp; Taylor bt Maugham +26, +7tp; Westerby bt Cornelius (Eng) -24, +17tp, +25tp; Cornish bt Williams +26tp, +9; Kobelt bt Goacher +4, +17, Irwin bt Stark +26tp, 9tp; Clarke bt Mulliner +17, +25tp, +26tp.

CYCLING

LEEDS: International Classic (144 miles): 1, G Bortolami (It) Mapei-Clas 6hr 3min 29sec; 2, V Ekimov (Russ) Wordperfect same time, 3, B Hamburger (Den) TVM at 11sec; 4, F Andreu (US) Motorola; 5, L Dufaux (Switz) ONCE; 6, M Ghirotto (It) ZG Mobili; 7, M Sciandri (It) GB-MG Maglificio; 8, G Faresin (It) Lampre-Panaria, 9, S Swart (NZ) Motorola all same time; 10, F Vanzella (It) GB-MG Maglificio at 13sec. Team: 1, Motorola 26pts, 2, GB-MG Maglificio 35; 3, Telekom 39. World Cup: Overall standings: 1, A Tchmil (Mol) Lotto 115pts, 2, J Museeuw (Bel) GB-MG Maglificio 90; 3, G Furlan (It) Gewiss 75; 4, L Armstrong (US) Motorola 70; 5, F Baldato (It) GB-MG Maglificio 67, 6, G Bortolami (It) 66; 7, G Bugno (It) Polti 58, 8, F Ballerini (It) Mapei-Clas 50; 9, E Berzin (Russ) Gewiss 50; 10, A de las Cuevas (Fr) Castorama 50. Team: 1, GB-MG Maglificio 69. 2, Motorola 41, 3, Mapei-Clas 33

ROAD RACES: Allied Dunbar Summer Classic (Swindon, 96 miles): R Hammond (Invicta RC). 3hr 54min 14sec. Bromsgrove Grand Prix (98 miles): M Harrison (Congleton CC). 3:26 31. Great Fair (Carlisle, 66 miles): P Curran (Optimum Performance RT). 2:55 00. National junior championship (Havant, 78 miles): H Pritchard (CC Cardiff), 3:14 10

TIME-TRIALS: Wessex RC (100 miles): R Horner (Fareham Wheelers), 3:54:39. Team: Somer Valley CC, 13:24 13. Otley CC (50 miles): K Dawson (Optimum Performance RT). 1:42:46. Team: Leo RC, 5:27 03. Preston Wheelers (50 miles): K Turner (Preston Wheelers) 1 55:30. Team: Lancashire RC, 5:58.52. Cheltenham and County CC (50 miles) P Haig (Cheltenham and County CC). 1:57.31. Team: Cardiff Byways RCC, 6 17 39. Letchworth Velo (25 miles): I Cammish (Velo Viento). 52:21. Team: Chelmer CC, 2:59:08. Southport RCC (25 miles). J Howard (Merseyside Wheelers). 55.24. Team: Crewe Clarion Wheelers. 2:53:26. Cramlington CC (Tyne and Wear, 25 miles): H Walker (GS Metro). 56 07. Cheshire RC (25 miles). L Holmes (Morley CC). 55 59. Team: TS Tameside, 2:59:25. Barnstaple Imperial Wheelers (25 miles): D Dous (Antelope RT), 58.17. Team: Barnstaple Imperial Wheelers, 3:06 58. 29th Wheelers (Surrey, 25 miles): B Taylor (Bournemouth Arrow CC). 54:42. Team: Lewes Wanderers. 3 01:18. AS Rangers (Northamptonshire, 25 miles): J Harrison (Invicta RC). 55 16. Team: Invicta RC. 2 58 07. Leicester Forest CC (25 miles) I Ball (Hinckley CRC). 55.26. Team: Melton Olympic (fastest third rider). 59:40. Carnoustie CC (10 miles). I Spence (Carnoustie CC). 21:30 (course record). Team: Carnoustie CC, 1:08:12.

EQUESTRIANISM

GATCOMBE PARK: British Open horse trials championship (GB unless stated). 1, Too Smart (K Dixon) 48pts. 2, Chaka (W Fox-Pitt) 51; 3, Bertie Blunt (M Todd, NZ) 53, 4, Song And Dance Man (K Gifford) 58; 5, Haigh (L Law) 61. 6, Welton Romance (V Elliot) 62. British Intermediate Championship: 1, Chessman (M Todd, NZ) 46; 2, Walk On Top (A Nicholson, NZ) 47. 3, Welton Envoy (L Law, GB) 47. Advanced Section: 1, Squelch (B Davidson, US) 46, 2, Kingscourt II (A Nicholson, NZ) 53; 3, Midnight Blue II (K Gifford, GB) 54. Advanced Section I: 1, Cartoon II (A Nicholson, NZ) 53; 2, Alfresco (S Bullen) 54; 3, King Kong (M Thomson) 55.

DUBLIN: Kerrygold Speed Championship: 1, Everest My Messieur (M Whitaker, GB) 61 57sec. 2, Lismore (G Mullins, Ire) 62.23, 3, Wadi Sultane Kerellec (G de Balanca, Fr) 64.54. Kerrygold International Grand Prix: 1, Everest Grannusch (J Whitaker, GB) clear 37 46. 2, Quantum Leap (D Dolan, US) clear 38 95. 3, La Ina (P Charles, Ire) clear 39 35. Other British: 3, Everest Limited Edition (N Skelton) 4 faults 40 05. 15 Everest Two Step (M Whitaker) eliminated in jump-off.

PONY CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS: Other awards: Tictac trophy (for the best pony/player combination in the Handley Cross category) T Spicer (Pytchley). Lodsworth Polo Stick (for the Lonner boy showing most promise) J Harper (Goodwood). The Royal Marines' Saddle Club award (for the best organised team manager). D Cowley. The Young Daily Telegraph award (for the best player under 14): D Lines (Enfield Chase). The Polo Vision award (for a boy with promise). T Benson (HH). The Polo Quarterly Junior award (for the best player under 16): R Pemble (RA). The Baileys Senior award (for the best player of the season): K Clampton (Beaufort).

FLYFISHING

RINGEBU: World championships: Overall: 1, Czech Republic, 2, Italy; 3, England; 4, Scotland; 5, France. Individual: 1, P Cognard (Fr); 2, H Morgan (Wal); 3, P Cochito (It); 4, T Bechsen (Nor), 5, A Gigot (Bel). British: 6, D Chalmers (Sco), 7, C Ogborne (Eng)

FOOTBALL

PRE-SEASON MATCHES: Northern Ireland XI 2 Newcastle 5. Drogheda Utd 0 Aston Villa 3: St Patrick's Ath 1 Dagenham 1; Bohemians 1 Wimbledon 2.
FOOTBALL LEAGUE OF IRELAND CUP: Shelbourne 5 St James Gate 1

GLIDING

BICESTER: Standard Class national championship: Fifth day (456 km Lasham, Shaftesbury, Hereford, Newport Pagnell: 45 completions of 45) 1, S Crabb (Discus W) 109 1 kph. 1,000pts: 2, S Jones (Discus) 106 1, 959; 3, T Scott (LS7W) 104.9, 942: 4, S White (LS7W) 103 3, 920; 5, M Young (Discus) 102.5, 908. 6, D Watt (ASW24) 101.0, 889; 7, G Metcalfe (ASW24) 100.7, 885. Equal 8, J Kingerlee (LS7) and N Wer (Discus) 100 7, 884. 10 H Rebbeck (LS4) 100 5, 881; 11, P Crabb (LS7) 99 3, 865: 12m A Davis (Discus) 99.0, 860. Overall: Equal 1, Young and Davis 3,341; 3, S Jones 3,830; 4, Watt 3,807. 5, P Crabb 3714; 6, C Rollings (SZD55) 3,665

GOLF

HAUGSCHLAG: Men's tournament: Final scores (GB and Ire unless stated): 270: M Davis 68, 69, 69, 64. 272: P Walton 68, 65, 69, 70. 273: R Goosen (SA) 68, 72, 66, 67. 275: A Coltart 72, 69, 68, 66; M Besanceney (Fr) 69, 68, 69, 69; A Sherborne 73, 65, 66, 71. 277: P Mayo 71, 68, 69, 69; H Thul (Ger) 69, 69, 69, 70. 278: A Sorensen (Den) 73, 69, 69, 67; D A Russell 70, 72, 69, 67; G Ryall 68, 71, 70, 69, R Rafferty 70, 70, 69, 69. P Golding 66, 74, 68, 70; A Cejka (Ger) 69, 72, 66, 71; P Simpson 71, 66, 70, 71. 279: C Moody 68, 69, 73, 69. J McHenry 71, 68, 69, 71. 280: S Jones (US) 73, 71, 70, 66. 281: S Hamill 70, 71, 71, 69. R Drummond 71, 70, 71, 69, R Chapman 71, 66, 73, 71; A Haro 67, 73, 70, 71. I Pyman 71, 70, 75, 65; B Barnes 68, 72, 68, 73. 282: B Malley (US) 69, 71, 72, 70; P Fowler (Aus) 70, 70, 72, 70; D Williams 71, 70, 71, 70; B Hughes (Aus) 70, 70, 71, 71, T Levet (Fr) 72, 71, 67, 72; P Broadhurst 67, 68, 73, 74; M Nichols 68, 67, 73, 74. 283: D Edlund (Swe) 74, 71, 68, 70; M Paxon 70, 71, 72, 70; P Haugsrud (Nor) 73, 70, 71, 69; A Hunter 73, 69, 71, 70; M Scarpa (It) 71, 68, 73, 71, S Bottomley 67, 72, 72, 72. 284: S Van Vuuren (SA) 71, 70, 73, 70; D Borrego (Sp) 72, 68, 74, 70; B Nelson (US) 74, 71, 66, 73. 285: J Robson 69, 72, 72, 72; N Godin 71, 72, 71, 71; N Fasth (Swe) 72, 72, 72, 69. 286: M Piltz (Fin) 67, 76, 70, 73; R Willson 72, 69, 73, 72; N Henning (SA) 69, 74, 71, 72: A Lebouc (Fr) 68, 70, 74, 74; J Coceres (Arg) 70, 68, 71, 77. 287: P McGinley 74, 68, 72, 73; M Zerman (It) 72, 69, 73, 73; A Mednick (Swe) 74, 71, 70, 72: Y Beamonte (Sp) 73, 70, 75, 69; S Little 71, 74, 72, 70. 288: J Rasmussen (Den) 73, 70, 70, 75; M Tunnicliff 74, 70, 72, 72: S Watson 72, 70, 75, 71; C Grenier (Can) 74, 70, 73, 71. 289: K Waters 71, 74, 69, 75, M Krantz (Swe) 72, 68, 74, 75, M Parker 72, 71, 72, 74; S McAllister 75, 68, 73, 73; A Collison 70, 75, 71, 73, I Gervas (Sp) 72, 70, 75, 72; G Manson 72, 71, 77, 69.

MALONE, Belfast: Seniors' tournament (GB unless stated): 208: T Horton 68, 71, 69: R Campagnoli (It) 67, 70, 71 (Horton won at 2nd extra hole). 211: M Gregson 70, 69, 72: L Higgins (Ire) 70, 70, 71: A Garrido (Sp) 73, 70, 68; P Butler 73, 69, 69. 212: B Verwey (SA) 71, 69, 72. R Charles (NZ) 70, 71, 71; B Huggett 70, 71, 71. 213: J Morgan 74, 69, 70. B Waites 69, 72, 72. 214: J-M Roca (Sp) 72, 72, 70. 215: R Sota (Sp) 71, 71, 73: H Boyle (Ire) 74, 70, 71. 216: R Fidler 75, 72, 69. 217: B Carter 77, 72, 68; B Hunt 76, 72, 69. 218: T Squires 75, 70, 73; D Butler 76, 72, 70; J Carr (US) 77, 72, 69: R Botts (US) 73, 73, 72; H Inggs (SA) 74, 70, 74.

DAYTON, Ohio: Women's tournament: *Leading second round scores (US unless stated)*: 139: A Dibos (Peru) 67, 72. 140: S Hamlin 72, 68, M Will 70, 70; E Daniel 70, 70; B Thomas 68, 72; J Briles-Hinton 68, 72; J Gibson 66, 74. 141: C Ranck 71, 70, M Redman 70, 71: R Jones 68, 73. 142: K Williams 73, 69; J Zedlitz 72, 70; K Peterson-Parker 71, 71, M McGann 71, 71: E Gibson 70, 72.

ROYAL ST DAVID'S: *British youth championship: Leading second-round totals*: 133: F Jacobsen (Swe) 66, 67; 135: S Davis (Kedleston Park) 68, 67. 137: S Hurd (Hosforth) 69, 68. 138: P Wilkins (Brookmans Park) 67, 71. 141: D Orr (East Renfrewshire) 73, 68; M Zaretti (It) 71, 70; R Tate (Meon Valley) 71, 70, A Reid (Kilmarnock Barassie) 70, 71

HOCKEY

CLUB MATCHES: Men: Old Loughtonians 2 Guildford 1; Old Loughtonians 4 Trojans 2. Women: Old Loughtonians 5 St Albans 1.

MODERN PENTATHLON

SHEFFIELD: World championships: Women: Individual: 1, E Fjellerup (Den) 5,590; 2, Z Shubyonok (Belo) 5,392; 3, E Koblo (Hun) 5,355; 4, E Hortobagyi (Hun) 5,309; 5, M Toomann (Est) 5,271; 6, C Furi (Hun) 5,245; 7, K Danielson (Swe) 5,227, 8, D Nash (Aus) 5,226; 9, V Richey (US) 5,187; 10, B Boccolari (It) 5,169. Team: 1, Italy 15,352; 2, Poland 15,352; 3, Hungary 14,883.

MOTOR SPORT

OULTON PARK: British touring car championship: 1, J Winkelhock (BMW 318i) 28min 9.83sec (94.6 mph); 2, A Menu (Renault Laguna) 28:12.58; 3, G Tarquini (Alfa Romeo 155) 28:18.24; 4, G Simoni (Alfa Romeo 155) 28:18.68; 5, R Ravaglia (BMW 318i) 28:18 94; 6, T Harvey (Renault Laguna) 28:26.29. Championship points: 1, Tarquini 210; 2, Radisich 180; 3, Menu 148; 4, Cleland 146.

ULTRAFILTER INTERNATIONAL: Formula Renault: Tenth round: 1, J Matthews (Van Diemen/Renault); 2, R Aguas (Swift/Renault); 3, G Rodriguez (Alpa/Renault). Championship: 1, Matthews (GB) 218; 2, Aguas (Portugal) 134; 3, Rodriguez (Uru) 91.

ORIENTEERING

BAUTAHOJ, Denmark: Sixth relay event: Women (3 x 7.0km): 1, Sweden 1 (A Bogren, G Svard, M Jansson) 2:11.11; 2, *Sweden 2 (non-World Cup competitive)* 2:12.43; 3, Great Britain 1 (H Munro 44.19 7th; J James 47.11 7th; Y Hague 41.18 3rd; 2:12.48); 20, Great Britain 2 (K Bryan-Jones, A Bedwell, W Smallwood) 2:37.40. Men (3 x 10.5km): 1, Sweden 1 (L Holmqvist, J Martensson, J Ivarsson) 2:39.39; 2, Norway 1, 2:40.47; 3, Finland 2, 2.40.47, 4, Great Britain 1 (J Musgrave 53.39 3rd; S Palmer 54.50 6th; S Hale 54:51 4th 2:43.40).

REAL TENNIS

HOBART: Australian Open: Semi-finals (Aus unless stated): R Fahey bt F Filippelli 6-4, 6-3, 6-3; J Snow (GB) bt W Davies, 6-5, 6-5, 6-3. Final: Fahey bt Snow 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.

RUGBY LEAGUE

WINFIELD CUP: Illawarra Steelers 8 Canberra Raiders 16; Manly-Warringah 38 Cronulla-Sutherland 10; St George 12 Parramatta 27; Western Suburbs 34 South Sydney 26; Gold Coast Seagulls 10 North Sydney 36; Penrith Panthers 22 Brisbane Broncos 6; Eastern Suburbs 16 Balmain 23; Newcastle Knights 18 Canterbury-Bankstown 30.

PRE-SEASON MATCHES: Wigan 42 Warrington 18; St Helens 48 Widnes 4.

RUGBY UNION

WORTHINGTON SEVENS: Quarter-finals: Cross Keys 0 Bath 47; Llanelli 7 Bridgend 43; Newport 7 Cardiff 42; Treorchy 19 Maesteg 5. Semi-finals: Bath 28 Bridgend 14; Cardiff 24 Treorchy 7. Final: Cardiff 5 Bath 42.

RANFURLY SHIELD, New Zealand: Waikato 45 King Country 10.

TOUR MATCH: Villagers (Cape Town) 19 *Melrose 20.*

SHOOTING

OTTAWA: Canadian national championships: Canada Trophy (300, 600, 600 yds): 1, Great Britain 1,190.175 (record, D Armstrong 150.27); 2, Canada 1,186.179. Governor-General's Prize: 1, S Murray (Can) 400.58/23.2; 2, J Paton (Can) 400.58; 3, P Patel (Athelings) 400.56; 4, D Hossack (GB) 400.58. Under 25: (600yds, 900m): 1, GB 1,180.162 (S Birkenhead 150.26, K Ramsey 150.22); 2, Canada 1,164.131. Commonwealth match (800 and 900m): 1, Canada 1,145.122 (W Molnar 98.12); 2, Great Britain 1,132.98 (D Armstrong 99.12). Michael Faraday Trophy (300, 500 and 600 yds): 1, GB Athelings 1,731.184 (D Luckman 149.23); 2, Canadian Cadets 1703.164. Algonquin Trophy (800 and 900m): 1, Oxford and Cambridge 383.39 (V Barber 97.13); 2, Mons RC 379.29. Gatineau match (800m): 1, C Whatley (Can) 75.14/24.13; 2, C Bayne (Can) 75.14/23.2; 3, D Cumming (Ire) 75.14/21.1. Patrons match (900m): 1, E Dyas Brown (Can) 74.10; 2, S Birkenhead (Cambridge Univ) 73.9. Grand Aggregate: 1, P Patel (Athelings) 821.116; 2, Birkenhead 818.120; 3, D Sewell (Can) 817.113. Other British: 5, J Underwood 816.111; 6, A Gent 813.124; 8, D Armstrong 812.109; 9, G Childs 812.106; 10, N Hinchliffe 812.90. Tess Spencer Trophy (top women): 1, T Fitzsimons (GB) 809.100; 2, Brown 804.96; 3, V Measures (GB) 802.92.

BISLEY: National Smallbore Championships: British 3-position: 1, J Simcock (Bedford) 1,132; 2, K Parr (Croydon) 1,127; 3, S Ross (Chobham) 1,123. Home Countries International: 1, England 3,365; 2, Scotland 3,283; 3, Wales 3,153. County: 1, Hampshire 4,374; 2, Surrey 4,255.

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: First division: King's Lynn 50 Bradford 46; Cradley Heath 55 Eastbourne 41; Coventry 54 Reading 42; Swindon 45 Long Eaton 51; Bradford 56 King's Lynn 40; Eastbourne 50 Cradley Heath 46. Second division: Oxford 55 Swindon 41; Peterborough 50 Newcastle 46.

OSLO: *World Under-21 championship*: Final: 1, M Karlsson (Swe and Wolverhampton) 14; 2, R Holta (Norway) 14 (after run-off); 3, J Crump (Aus and Poole) 12.

SQUASH

CHRISTCHURCH: Hi-Tec World Junior Championship: Final: Egypt 3 England 0 (A Barada bt C Tomlinson 9-2, 9-3, 4-9, 9-7; O el Borolossy bt I Higgins 9-5, 9-0, 3-9, 9-3; A Fayd bt M Cowie 2-9, 7-9, 9-6, 9-6, 9-2). Third place play-off: Finland 2 Australia 1, Lower play-offs: Pakistan 2 France 1, Germany 2 Canada 1; Malaysia 3 Argentina 0; Sweden 2 Italy 1; South Africa 3 New Zealand 0; Hong Kong 2 Wales 1; Switzerland 2 Denmark 1; India 3 Scotland 0; United States 2 Kuwait 1, Holland 2 Brazil 1.

TENNIS

LOS ANGELES: Women's tournament: Quarter-finals (US unless stated): J Halard (Fr) bt P Hy (Can) 3-6, 6-2, 6-4; S Appelmans (Bel) bt J Novotna (Cz) 6-4, 4-6, 6-4; A Grossman bt Z Garrison-Jackson 3-6, 7-6, 6-2; A Frazier bt C Martinez (Sp) 6-4, 7-6. Semi-finals: Grossman bt Halard 1-6, 6-3, 6-1; Frazier bt Appelmans 6-2, 6-4.

CINCINNATI: Men's tournament (US unless stated): Quarter-finals: M Stich (Ger) bt A O'Brien 6-2, 6-4; M Chang bt J Stoltenberg (Aus) 6-1, 3-6, 7-5; S Edberg (Swe) bt A Mansdorf (Isr) 5-7, 6-4 ret., D Wheaton bt J Courier 7-6, 2-6, 6-3. Semi-finals: Chang bt Wheaton 6-3, 6-4; Edberg bt Stich 6-2, 7-6.

SAN MARINO: *Men's tournament*: Quarter-finals: O Gross (Ger) bt L Jonsson (Swe) 6-3, 6-1; M Filippini (Ur) bt A Berasategui (Sp) 7-6, 6-1; C Vangaraese (Bel) bt R Furlan (It) 6-4, 6-4. Semi-final: Gross bt Filippini 6-4, 5-7, 6-4.

WORTHING: LTA Reebok tour: Final: Men: J Delgado (Warwicks) bt N Weal (Hants) 6-3, 6-3. Women: C Hunt (Dorset) bt R Mawdsley (Aus) 6-3, 6-7, 7-5.

NOTTINGHAM: Midland Bank national junior championships: Boys' under-18: Singles: First round: L Milligan (Middlesex) bt M Sivilter (Hereford and Worcester) 6-1, 6-3; M. Woolley (Warwickshire) bt A Bonnington (Cambridgeshire) 6-4, 6-3; J Trotman (Suffolk) bt T Dalby (Middlesex) 6-3, 6-4; C Edmondson (Lancashire) bt A Cole (South Wales) 4-6, 6-3, 6-2; I Bates (Hampshire and Isle of Wight) bt G Agapitos (Middlesex) 6-1, 6-0; A Osterrieth (Kent) bt R Harrison (Derbyshire) 6-2, 2-6, 6-2; J Monk (Sussex) bt P Maggs (Avon) 6-1, 6-2; P Delgado (Berks) bt M Powell (Notts) 6-4, 6-4; M Stocks (Norfolk) bt D Webley (Bucks) 6-3 1-0 ret.; J Bartlett (Devon) bt J Stott (South Wales) 6-2, 6-0; N Crowther (Yorks) bt M Ferraro (Surrey) 6-4, 6-1; N Jones (Herefordshire and Worcester) bt B Johnson (Cheshire) 6-3, 6-1; M Arey (Durham and Cleveland) bt N Rushton (Lancashire) 6-3, 5-7, 6-4; S Amey (Derbyshire) bt D Moore (Surrey) 2-6, 6-4, 6-3; S Pender (Cornwall) bt M Gorvin (Avon) 7-6, 6-1; S Crabtree (Dorset) bt D Sherwood (Yorks) 6-2, 6-3; S Webber (Cambridgeshire) bt D Sauk (Lincs) 6-1, 6-4; T Marcus-Russ (Middlesex) bt J Cross (Channel Islands) 6-3, 1-6, 6-1; D Nzekwu (Middlesex) bt A Barnes (Cambridgeshire) 6-3, 6-1; C Anders (Lancashire) bt B Kendall (Surrey) 6-4, 7-6; B Heron (Hampshire and Isle of Wight) bt G Darlington (North of Scotland) 6-2, 6-2; P Martin (Avon) bt D Galasso (Kent) 6-2, 6-1; W Sawyer (Norfolk) bt P Hodson (N Wales) 6-4, 6-3; S Clark (Warwickshire) bt G Arber (Kent) 4-6, 6-1, 6-2; C Bennett (Hereford and Worcester) bt O Freelove (Kent) 6-4, 6-1; J Williams (Middlesex) bt A Hill (Cheshire) 6-0, 6-7, 6-4, R Paul (Middlesex) bt P Dinsdale (N Wales) 6-4, 7-6; B O'Connor (Durham and Cleveland) bt A Parmar (Hertfordshire) 6-4, 6-3; M Ingham (Lancashire) bt O Hadden (North of Scotland) 7-6, 7-5; G Jones (Kent) bt P Couch (Hertfordshire) 2-6, 6-7, 13-11; V Sunderam (Lancashire) bt O Harrison (Devon) 6-0, 6-2; M Lee (Sussex) bt J Layne (Cambridgeshire) 6-1, 6-2.

YACHTING

STOCKHOLM: Tornado world championships: Final standings: 1, F Leon and J Ballester (Sp) 74.00pts; 2, H Sach and C Sach (Ger) 80.75; 3, M Booth and J Forbes (Aus) 87.50; 4, A Hagara and F Schneeberger (Austria) 94. 5, S Prlymak and E Chelombitko (Russ) 97

FIXTURES

CRICKET

Tetley Bitter Challenge
11.0, final day of three
PONTYPRIDD: Glamorgan v South Africans

Britannic Assurance county championship
11.0, final day of four
COLCHESTER: Essex v Surrey
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Northamptonshire
CANTERBURY: Kent v Durham
LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Worcestershire
LORD'S: Middlesex v Somerset
EASTBOURNE: Sussex v Derbyshire
EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Nottinghamshire
HEADINGLEY: *Yorkshire v Lancashire*

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP (first day of three). Gloucester (King's School): Gloucestershire v Glamorgan; Southampton: Hampshire v Durham; Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Leicestershire; Taunton: Somerset v Essex; Hove: Sussex v Middlesex; Walmley: Warwickshire v Yorkshire: Worcester: Worcestershire v Northamptonshire.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Marlow: Buckinghamshire v Norfolk; Bowdon: Cheshire v Oxfordshire; Lincoln Lindum: Lincolnshire v Bedfordshire; Jesmond: Northumberland v Cumberland; Colwyn Bay: Wales v Dorset; Swindon: Wiltshire v Berkshire.

FOOTBALL

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated
Coca-Cola Cup
First round: First leg
Doncaster Rovers v Wrexham

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Carshalton v Enfield; Purfleet v Hitchin. Second division: Croydon v Thame United. Third division: Southall v Leighton.

PONTINS LEAGUE: First division: Wolverhampton v West Brom (7.0). Second division: Leicester v Hull (7.0).

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First division: Brighton v Norwich (7.15); Bristol Rovers v Portsmouth.

CARLING NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Clitheroe v Maine Road

UNIJET SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE: *Second division: Mile Oak v Hassocks.*

OTHER SPORT

CROQUET: World championship (Carden Park, Chester).

GOLF: Welsh professional championship (Northop Country Park, Wrexham).

MODERN PENTATHLON: World championships (Sheffield)

SPEEDWAY: British league (7.30): First division: Belle Vue v King's Lynn; Reading v Coventry; Wolverhampton v Arena Essex.

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Robson lets his actions talk louder than words

Middlesbrough 2
Burnley 0

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

BRYAN Robson, past tense: England warrior, 90 caps, and Manchester United idol. 345 league appearances, 74 goals. An inspiration, crusader for the cause, one of the lads. Bryan Robson present: Middlesbrough player-manager, one match, one victory. No medals, zilch experience, the gaffer. Teesside's saviour-in-waiting. Welcome to the real world.

At Ayresome Park on Saturday, Robson, 37, tumbled into *the managerial abyss*, from which only the chosen few escape. Most, fingernails obliterated, plunge screaming into the nether regions of the Endsleigh Insurance League and beyond: some, nerves shredded and family life fractured, hang on for domestic acknowledgement and international acclaim. Which direction will Robson take?

For the moment, the jury is out. In his dual role, he can ease his way gently from the pampered pleasures of the professional player towards the jacket, collar and bad-taste tie existence of the office controller. The indulging in playful pranks may be over, but, until the body begs for full-time forgiveness, he can switch personalities and loyalties, chameleon-fashion, to suit whichever situation arises.

It is when the running stops, when the sinews say no more, that real judgment arrives. Robson, the player-manager, with recent history so favourable, will survive. Robson, the manager, whenever the day dawns, will join the twilight life of assaulted tortured souls, where tolerance is short and retribution swift.

On Saturday, finally rid of the pre-match hassle and *hype, he strolled and cajoled through a humdrum affair of minimal excitement. His driven* pass led to Middlesbrough's opening goal, in the 27th minute, when Beresford, the highly rated Burnley goalkeeper, hacked an intended clearance against Winstanley, his team-mate, and Hendrie accepted the tap-in.

After Beresford had erred again, seven minutes later, when he allowed Hendrie's low shot to squirm under his body, Robson struck a post from Moore's cross. It was vintage Robson. Look up, time the run, crane the neck forward for the firmest of headers. A coat of paint away from debut delight.

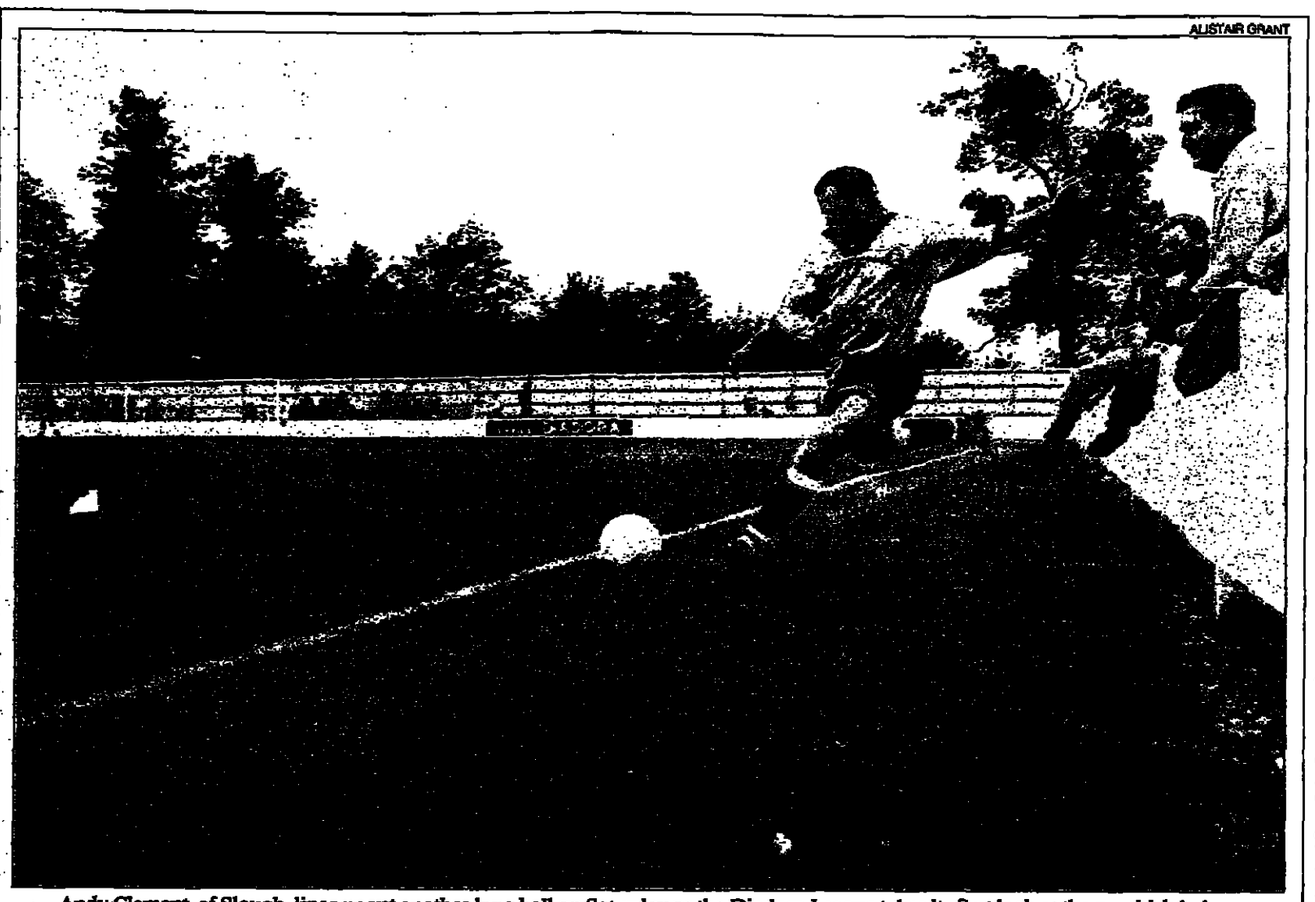
And that was about it. Almost an anti-climax — bar *the result — after all the ballyhoo*, the bagpipers, the near-capacity crowd and the black and gold "Robson is pure genius" sweatshirts. Nothing to it, this player-manager's lark.

There is, though. For the not inconsiderable remuneration of £1 million over three years, Robson could reasonably be expected to share his views with the assembled members of the Fourth Estate. Fifty-four media representatives and 31 photographers had gathered to witness the occasion, but, having spent the week-long build-up in a series of interviews, Robson had overdosed on discussion. Instead, he deligated Viv Anderson, his assistant.

"There's a lot of expectation here at the moment," Anderson said. "We're just happy with the result." Sure, Viv, but how's Bryan? "He's knackered," he said, only half-jokingly. "He's lying in a bath relaxing." Sure, Viv, but is he coming out to talk? "No. He sent me."

Two hours after the final whistle, Robson emerged for departure from Ayresome. "Look, I said Viv would do the talking," he growled. "If I say that's the way it's going to happen, that's the way it's going to happen." Exit stage left. Few messed with Robson, the player; even fewer will mess with Robson, the manager.

MIDDLESBROUGH (4-4-2): A Miller — N Cox, N Pearson, S Vickers, C Fleming — C Blissmore, J Pollock, B Robson, A Moore — J Hendrie, P Wilkinson.
BURNLEY (4-4-2): M Beresford — G Parkinson, S Davis, M Winstanley, C Vinnicombe — J Deary, W Joyce (sub: G Lancashire, 63min), A Harper, E McMinn — L Robinson, A Heath.
Referee: R Poulain.


ALISTAIR GRANT

Andy Clement, of Slough, lines up yet another long ball on Saturday as the Diadora League takes its first look at the new kick-in law

New rule may become Fifa's own goal

Andrew Longmore sees little to celebrate in this season's experiment in the Diadora League with the kick-in instead of the throw-in

Never mind the American influence, a trip by route one will reveal a glimpse of the real Football 2000. For one season, under the auspices of Fifa, the sport's world governing body, players in the Diadora League can kick the ball back into play as an alternative to throwing it back in and, though these are *still early days, a dispiriting* sight it promises to be for all except connoisseurs of the rugby lineout and the up-and-under.

Fifa believes the kick-in will speed up the game, and the Diadora League, with one eye on the publicity value, took on the experiment, along with the second divisions of the Belgian and Hungarian leagues. Barring a total fiasco, the kick-in is here to stay, for the year at least.

In theory, players have the option to kick or throw. In practice, they kick. Out of 51 put-ins by Hendon and Slough on the opening day of the season, only six were thrown, five back to the goalkeeper. The rest were booted, more subtly by Slough, the ball-playing team, than by Hendon, Diadora's answer to the crazy gang, but booted nonetheless. Slough occasionally resorted *to the short kick-in. Hendon's* only legal throw-in came five seconds from the end. Their other attempt was penalised *by Mike Stobbart, the referee,* who thought the player had given the compulsory arm-up indication of a kick-in then taken a throw-in. In fact, the Hendon man was just gesturing to his forwards.

Indeed, there was more signalling in 90 minutes than British Rail managed the whole weekend, but the new *rule has not found universal* favour. Some managers are rumoured to have stuck so firmly to tradition that they are agreeing before the match to use the old throw-in. At St Albans, the manager, Martin Duffiel, has gone a step further. He has banned kick-ins and threatened to fine, suspend or transfer any player caught using it.

Instinctively, Dave Russell, the manager of Slough, *would like to do the same, but* he has a new club to manage and respect to earn, so has reluctantly put pragmatism before principle.

"It's dreadful," he said. "The kick-in just gives ordinary sides a chance to get in your box without earning it. Hendon are an ordinary side and the only time they got near our goal in the second half was from kick-ins. To be honest, if I had to watch that for too long, I'd pack it *in.*"

On a limited budget, with limited talent, Mick Browne, the Hendon manager, regards the kick-in as manna from heaven and does not apologise for practising it assiduously in training and using it every time.

"It might not be good for the game, but we have to exploit the rule as best as we can," he said. In effect, that means his two giant centre *halves trundling like cannons* into the penalty area 20 times a game, standing in front of the goalkeeper — you cannot be offside from a kick-in — and promoting exactly the opposite of what Fifa intended.

"It definitely slows the game down," Mark West, the Slough forward, said. "You all have to wait while the big men get forward. I mean, Hendon would like it, wouldn't they? They're all six *feet four. If you're Wimble*don, you'll benefit, if you're Tottenham, you won't. We've got to try to get skill into our football. This seems to be going the other way, cutting out the midfield."

Fifa's hope that defenders would be encouraged by the heavier penalty to keep the ball in play and not hoof it out seemed to be equally ill-founded. The reality, in the absence of a Maldini in the line-ups, was safety first and *heads up next.*

With four goals in the first half-hour, the first, by Slough, after just a minute and a half, *the defending was experi*mental enough anyway. The irony was that Slough, reluctant kickers, despite the presence of the rotund Graham Roberts in their midfield, equalised from a kick-in to force a 2-2 draw, while Hendon, the true kickers, scored both of their goals from open play.

The league will judge the success of the experiment over the whole season, but nobody should be in any *doubtabout the seriousness of* the intent. The idea of giving three points for a win was pioneered in this league in the early Seventies. This week, the Diadora League: in 20 years, the World Cup.

Toothless Wolves flattered by taking first game

Wolverhampton Wdrs 1
Reading 0

BY ALYSON RUDD

FOR *A quarter of an hour* Reading were trapped in the FA Carling Premiership. Wolverhampton Wanderers *stormed through their de*fence, scored an eleventh-minute goal and were bolstered by raucous, numer*ous and expectant supporters*, packed inside a state-of-the-art stadium.

The illusion did not last long. Slowly, Wolverhampton looked far from Premiership material. "We know there's a lot of work to do," Graham Taylor, the Wolverhampton manager, said, and he is quite right.

Reading, who won the second division title last season, had not, after all, been mistakenly promoted two divisions.

Indeed for the last half-hour of the match, Reading must have thought their time machine had propelled them back *into the second division, so* easily did they dominate play.

It finished 1-0 but the Wolverhampton supporters left their field of dreams disenchanted. Poor Taylor: even when his team secures the points, he is not applauded. This is not entirely fair. His aim at Molineux must be to ensure that Wolverhampton can win games such as this, to haul them into the Premiership, to keep them lucky. However, the Black Country *team has probably already* used up this season's allocation of luck.

Jimmy Quinn, the Reading *forward, is a proven* goalscorer. He scored 35 goals in his team's League campaign last season and has given Northern Ireland a more potent attacking force. But against Wolverhampton he looked a novice, missing a series of chances that culminated in a wasteful shot over the crossbar in the 88th minute after Michael Gilkes had crafted the opening.

Despite Wolverhampton's performance, it is difficult, *when you are at Molineux, not* to be swept along by the club's grandeur, its money, its tradition.

But if Taylor is to reward the faith of Sir Jack Hayward, Wolverhampton's worthy president, he has to forget about the "old gold" trimmings and remould his players. Their passing was sloppy, their control too slack, their thinking too rushed. Geoff Thomas might begin to control the game from midfield, *then again, he might not.* Thomas is erratic, a problem not entirely explained away by his 11-month absence through a knee injury.

But they won. Darren Ferguson's powerful shot being steered into the path of Steve Frogatt by Shaka Hislop. Reading's otherwise excellent goalkeeper. And perhaps Wolverhampton will win in more style as the season progresses and the promised "new seamless video walls" have been installed. It will be a long time, however, before the word seamless can be chosen to sum up a Wolverhampton performance.

WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS (4-4-2): M Stowell — J Smith, N Emblen, P Shirtliff, A Thompson — K Kern, G Thomas, D Ferguson, S Frogatt — D Kelly, S Bull (sub: L Mills, 11min).
READING (4-4-2): S Hislop — A Bernal, D Wdowczyk (sub: G Hopkins, 70), A Williams, D Kerr — S Taylor (sub: M Gilkes, 63), P Parkinson, S Osborn, M Gooding — J Quinn, S Lovell
Referee: E Parker

Fry soon back under pressure

Leyton Orient 2
Birmingham City 1

BY PAT GIBSON

MORE than 4,000 Birmingham City supporters who marched on the East End of London to the rousing strains of "Keep Right on to the End of the Road" could hardly drag themselves back to Leyton underground station after seeing *the 7-2 favourites to win* the second division fall at the first hurdle.

Barry Fry, the Birmingham manager, was also feeling the pace. Just 90 minutes into the season, he was already speculating about how much longer David Sullivan, the owers of the club, would give him to produce a return on his £1.5 million investment on new players who failed to save them from relegation last season.

"If David Sullivan wants to make a change at the top, he will," Fry said, "and if he feels it's right, let him do it. I understand he's under pressure to get it right for the fans, but if you look at Alex Ferguson, they wanted him out at Manchester United for four years."

Birmingham had almost as many players sitting on the wall beside the dugout as Orient have on their staff, but the 13 who made it onto the field could not come to terms with the spirited opposition they can expect to meet at this level.

"They'll not find it an easy league to get out of," Chris Turner, who has *formed a new Leyton management* team with John Sitton, said, and Fry did not demur. "It's no good standing around. The shirt won't run about by itself," he said.

There were certainly a few standing around when Darren Purse, a 17-year-old central defender, put Orient ahead with a cracking shot on the turn in the sixth minute, and *even more when Ian Bogie slotted in* the winner an hour later. Steve Claridge had equalised after 17 minutes, and Dave Regis, a substitute, should have salvaged a point just before the end but missed from three yards.

That prompted the Birmingham hordes to change their tune to "What a load of rubbish". Fry did not blame them or use the absence of three important players as an excuse. "We're supposed to have enough players to cope. This was a *disappointing performance and a disappointing result.*"

LEYTON ORIENT (4-4-2): P Heald — M Warren, I Hendon, D Purse, K Austin — G Barnett (sub: A Gray 71min), V Ryan (sub: G Cockerill, 56), B Laish, M Dempsey — I Bogie, C West.
BIRMINGHAM CITY (4-4-2): I Bennett — S Hiley, P Shearer, C Whyte, R Dryden — R Wills, M Ward (sub: D Regis, 66), K Lowe, L Donowa — S Claridge, A Saville (sub: J Dominguez, 66).
Referee: T West.

Branfoot returns to the bear-pit

Fulham 1
Walsall 1

BY PETER ROBINSON

SOME people are suckers for punishment. Intimidate them, insult them, curse them and hurt them and still they keep coming back for more.

Take Ian Branfoot. Twelve months ago, he embarked on as torrid a season as any football manager has endured for years. Abused loudly and foully on all sides, threatened and ridiculed, he *was a lonely victim in a bear-pit* called The Dell. The pressure was merciless, enough to persuade any normal man that there is more to *life than football.*

Yet where was Branfoot on Saturday? On the touchline at Craven Cottage, in T-shirt and tracksuit, meeting the challenge of reviving the faded glories of Fulham, a club *at rock-bottom, its lowest ebb, only* spared the indignity of playing in the fourth division for the first time because there isn't one any more. *Surely, after he and Southampton* belatedly went their seperate ways, it was time to do something else.

"Why? I love the game and I can't afford to retire yet, either." Eyes defiant, that was enough said, as far as Fulham's new manager was concerned on Saturday.

But another difficult season beckons. Bold orders from old men in grey suits cleaned up the World Cup, but now they threaten havoc in the lower reaches of the Football League. There were seven yellow cards shown at the Cottage on *Saturday and one red — to the* unfortunate Walsall defender, Watkiss — in a generally mild, unassuming match, and goals from Lightbourne, after seven minutes, and Moore, after 81, completing a *worthy Fulham fightback, were* completely overshadowed. But no complaints about the referee, please, he was only applying the *rules. It did not bode well for* Branfoot's brand of fire and brimstone.

"I feel sorry for the referees: the crowds will be after them and they will need police protection." Branfoot said, with a large degree of empathy. "I think people want to see blood and thunder and I do worry about some of my players this season." One Terry Hurlock springs *to mind*, although he was missing on Saturday.

FULHAM (4-4-2): J Stannard — S Morgan (sub: R Haworth, 62min), K Moore, G Thomas, J Marshall — M Thomas (sub: D Jupp, 45), A Bedrossian, M Meson, R Herrera — A Cork, G Brazil.
WALSALL: (4-4-2) T Wood — W Evans, C Palmer, S Watkiss, D Rogers — D Mehew (sub: J Kester, 67), M O'Connor, C Nzamark, C Marsh — K Wilson, K Lightbourne
Referee: A D'Urso

FOOTBALL RESULTS

FA Charity Shield
MANCHESTER U (1) 2 BLACKBURN (0) 0
Cantona 23 (pen)
Ince 81
50,402

Endsleigh Insurance League

First division
BARNSLEY (2) 2 DERBY (1) 1
Rammell 11, 22
8,737
BRISTOL CITY (0) 0 SUNDERLAND (0) 0
11,127
GRIMSBY (1) 3 BOLTON (2) 3
Mendonca 9, 55, 70 (pen)
4,393
LUTON (0) 1 WEST BROM (1) 1
Oakes 49
8,540
MIDDLESBORO (2) 2 BURNLEY (0) 0
Hendrie 29 35
29,343
MILLWALL (1) 3 SOUTHEND (0) 1
Mitchell 22 Goodman 56
Tilson 90 (pp)
8,283
OLDHAM (2) 5 CHARLTON (2) 2
McCarthy 24, 57 Richardson 43, 78 Sharp 68
8,524
PORTSMTH (1) 2 NOTTS CO (0) 1
Powell 5 Symons 89
Sheridan 70
10,497
SHEFF UTD (2) 3 WATFORD (0) 0
Flo 8 Ward 43, 57
15,820
STOKE (0) 1 TRANMERE (0) 0
Gleghorn 49
15,915
WOLVERHMPTN (1) 1 READING (0) 0
Froggatt 11
27,012

Yesterday
SWINDON (1) 2 PORT VALE (0) 0
Fjortoft 22 Scott 80
10,431

PRE-SEASON MATCHES: Arsenal 1 Crystal Palace 3, Leicester 1 Rapid Bucharest 3, Manchester City 2 Feyenoord 4, Shelbourne 0 Leeds 6.

Second division
BLACKPOOL (0) 1 HUDDERSFIELD (2) 4
Gould 57
8,343
CHESTER (0) 1 BRADFORD (1) 4
Milner 66
4,459
LEYTON ORIENT (1) 2 BIRMINGHAM (1) 1
Purse 6 Bogie 68
7,578
OXFORD UTD (4) 4 HULL (0) 0
Byrne 19, 30, 45
Moody 33
PETERBORO (0) 0 BRISTOL R (0) 0
5,695
PLYMOUTH (1) 1 BRENTFORD (3) 5
Sweet 18
7,976
ROTHERHAM (0) 0 SHREWSBURY (3) 4
3,762
STOCKPORT (1) 4 CARDIFF (1) 1
Ward 14 Francis 47, 51
Armstrong 57
SWANSEA (1) 1 BRIGHTON (0) 1
Penney 30 (pen)
4,640
WREXHAM (2) 2 BOURNEMTH (0) 0
Pejic 37
Bennett 42 (pen)
WYCOMBE (1) 3 CAMBRIDGE (0) 0
Garner 2 Hemmings 80
Cousins 83 (pen)
YORK (0) 1 CREWE (0) 2
Cooper 64
4,420

Sittingbourne 0 Tottenham 0; Boston 2 Leeds 8.

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Championship match: *Farnborough ? Sudbury ?*

Third division
BARNET (0) 1 SCUNTHRPE (2) 2
Cooper 65
2,208
BURY (0) 0 ROCHDALE (0) 1
3,230
CARLISLE (1) 2 WIGAN (0) 1
Reeves 45 Watling 56
6,231
CHESTRFLD (0) 0 SCARBORO (1) 1
3,099
COLCHESTR (1) 1 TORQUAY (2) 3
Kinsella 12
3,175
DARLINGTN (0) 0 PRESTON (0) 0
FULHAM (0) 1 WALSALL (1) 1
Morris 82
5,308
GILLINGHAM (0) 0 HARTLPOOL (0) 0
2,955
HEREFORD (0) 0 DONCASTER (1) 1
3,976
LINCOLN (2) 2 EXETER (0) 0
Daws 31
Johnson 40 (pen)
3,439

(Sudbury won 5-4 on penalties).

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Bishop Stortford 2 Marlow 0; Bromley 0 Cheshalton 1; Dulwich 1 Yeading 3; Enfield 2 Aylesbury 2; Heyes 4 Purfleet 1; Hitchin 1 Kingstonian 1; Slough 2 Hendon 2; St Albans 0 Molesey 2, Sutton Utd 2 Grays 2; Walton and Hersham 1 Chesham 1; Wokingham 0 Harrow 2.

First division: Abingdon 2 Boreham Wood 3; Aldershot 1 Billericay 0; Chertsey 3 Maidenhead 0; Dorking 0 Basingstoke 3; Heybridge 3 Bognor Regis 3; Ruislip Manor 1 Berkhamsted 1; Staines 0 Tooting and Mitcham 0; Wembley 1 Uxbridge 0; Whyteleafe 2 Leyton 0; Wivenhoe 0 Newbury 5; Worthing 4 Barking 4.

Bell's Scottish League
Premier division
ABERDEEN (1) 3 HEARTS (0) 1
Robertson 29 Dodds 58
Booth 74
13,800
FALKIRK (0) 1 CELTIC (0) 1
McGill 53
20,200
HIBERNIAN (3) 5 DUNDEE UTD (0) 0
Findlay 7 Jackson 33, 38 (pen) Harper 89
O'Neill 89
PARTICK (2) 2 KILMARNOCK (0) 0
McWilliams 23
English 24
7,428
RANGERS (1) 2 MOTHERWLL (0) 1
Hateley 44 Ferguson 87
Coyne 48 (pen)
43,750

Second division: Aveley 2 Chalfont St Peter 1; Bracknell 4 Cheshunt 1; Hungerford 3 Malden Vale 0; Leatherhead 0 Metropolitan Police 0; Oxford City 3 Barton Rovers 1; Saffron Walden 2 Egham 1; Thame 3 Banstead 1, Tilbury 2 Hampton 3; Ware 1 Hemel Hempstead 0; Windsor and Eton 0 Edgware 0; Witham 2 Croydon 0.

Third division: Clapton 1 Hertford 1; Collier Row 1 Bedford 1; East Thurrock 1 Flackwell Heath 3; Epsom and Ewell 1 Camberley 3; Feltham and Hounslow B 2 Horsham 3; Harefield 1 Hornchurch 2; Harlow 0 Southall 4; Kingsbury 2 Lewes 0, Leighton 1 Cove 0; Northwood 3 Canvey Island 2.

CARLING NORTH WEST COUNTIES: First division: Blackpool Rovers 4 Salford City 0; Bradford Park Avenue 3 Newcastle Town 1; Chadderton 1 Bootle 3; Darwen 2 Eastwood Hanley 1; Glossop North End 3 St Helens Town 1; Kidsgrove Athletic 0 Burscough 3; Maine Road 2 Bacup Borough 1; Nantwich 4 Penrith 0; Prescot 0 Clitheroe 0; Rossendale 1 Holker OB 1, Skelmersdale 0 Trafford 1.

First division
AIRDRIE (0) 0 DUNFRMLNE (0) 0
4,100
AYR (0) 1 HAMILTON (1) 1
Traynor 84
2,085
CLYDEBANK (0) 2 STRANRAER (0) 0
Eadie 46 Cooper 72
1,040
DUNDEE (1) 2 ST MIRREN (0) 0
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4,125
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Cameron 54
4,374

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Challenge Shield: Marine 3 Spennymoor 0.

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UNIJET SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE: First division: Arundel 1 Oakwood 1; Crowborough 6 Newheven 0; Burgess Hill 1 Portfield 3; Hailsham 4 East Grinstead 1; Pagham 1 Langney Sports 4; Stamco 3 Littlehampton 1; Three Bridges 0 Eastbourne Town 2; Southwick 0 Ringmer 0; Peacehaven/Telscombe 2 Shoreham 3.

Second division
BRECHIN (0) 1 MEADWBNK (0) 5
Miller 84
402
Rutherford 57 Bailey 64, 86, 72 Sorbie 89
MORTON (0) 1 BERWICK (0) 1
Alexander 66
1,454
Irvine 83
ON OF SOUTH (1) 4 DUMBARTON (0) 1
Bryce 38, 56 (pen)
McGuire 73 McLaren 81
1,389
STNHSMUIR (1) 1 CLYDE (0) 0
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808
Hilldersley 69

WINSTONLEAD KENT LEAGUE: First division: Corinthian 0 Herne Bay 2, Cray Wanderers 0 Sheppey 3; Crockenhill 1 *Darenth Heathside 1, Deal 2 Slade Green* 0; Faversham 1 Beckenham 3; Furness 1 Chatham 1; Thamesmead 5 Kent Police 1; Tunbridge Wells 0 Folkestone Invicta 2; Whitstable 1 Dartford 3; Canterbury 3 Greenwich Borough 2.

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Third division
ALBION (0) 0 ALLOA (3) 4
310
Nelson 39
McCormack 41
McCulloch 44 Moffat 78
CALEDONIAN T (3) 5 ARBROATH (0) 2
Hercher 14, 31, 33
McKenzie 73
Robertson 76
Brock 55 Riley 64
1,700
COWDNBTH (0) 0 ROSS COUNTY (0) 2
678
Hand 76 McPherson 87
MONTROSE (1) 2 EAST STIRLING (0) 0
Grant 15 Crab 74
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1½	2	2½	3	1½	1½	1½	2½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	2	1½	1½	1½	3	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	2	3	2	1½	1½	1½	1½	2	1½	1½	1½	3	1½	2½	2½	3	1½	1½	3	1½	1½	1½	2	3	1½	1½	3	1½	3	1½	1½	1½

FORECAST: Telephone claims required for 24pts and 23½pts. The dividend forecast is very good. There are nine jackpot draws, four high-score draws and five no-score draws.

Sprinters play leading role in European championships

Relay adds golden finish for Britain

FROM DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT IN HELSINKI

THE sprinters and hurdlers *remain the pride* of Britain's athletics team, but Kelly Holmes and Rob Denmark yesterday helped to raise morale among middle-distance runners by taking silver medals on the last day of the European championships. Their efforts, however, fell into the shadow of the men's 4 x 400 metres team, which gave Britain *their sixth* victory.

Five have been achieved by sprinters and hurdlers — Steve Backley in the javelin *being the exception* — and the emphatic manner in which David McKenzie, Brian Whittle, Roger Black and Du'aine Ladejo won the relay under-

MEDAL TABLE

	G	S	B	T
Russia	10	8	7	25
Great Britain	6	5	2	13
Germany	5	4	5	14
France	4	3	2	9
Ukraine	3	6	3	12
Spain	3	2	4	9
Norway	3	2	1	6
Italy	2	3	3	8
Portugal	2	1	0	3
Bulgaria	2	0	3	5
Belarus	1	4	0	5
Finland	1	1	0	2
Ireland	1	0	0	1
Slovenia	1	0	0	1

lined the magnificence of Britain's speed athletes. Their margin of victory, by more than four seconds, represented an annihilation of the opposition.

McKenzie made up for his disappointment in failing to reach the 400 metres final by running a fine first leg and putting Brian Whittle, on the second leg, into a position *from which he could launch* an attack for the lead. When the athletes broke lanes, Whittle, fresh after his controversial exclusion from an individual team spot, for which McKenzie was preferred, forced his way to the front and held his ground to the changeover with Roger Black.

Black ran an outstanding third leg. His split time, 43.94sec, is the second fastest by a British relay runner, only 0.01sec slower than John Regis ran in these championships in 1990. Malcolm Arnold, the British team coach, had left the athletes to choose for themselves their order of running and Black had conceded the so-called glory leg to Ladejo after losing his individual title to him last Thursday.

A leg that put Britain's pursuers too far behind to retain hope of an upset left Ladejo under no pressure. Inevitably, perhaps, his split was slower than Black's, *44.23sec. Ladejo thus copied* Black's success of 1986 and 1990, when he won individual and relay gold medals.

The inspiration Black has given Ladejo has played its part: "It is an honour to run with him," Ladejo said. "I could not have had a better mentor. I respect him so much I cannot put it into words." *Black's relay gold medal here* equals the European championship record of victory by one man. He joins Harald Schmid, a West German 400 metres hurdler, on five gold medals.

Holmes and Denmark will share the feeling of a title chance missed, well though they performed. As the run for home in the 5,000 metres intensified, Denmark tried to sneak through a gap but found it closed. He had to chop his stride and, by the time he had found his way into second *place, Dieter Baumann, the* Olympic champion from Germany, was away down the straight and on his way to victory. Denmark sprinted like fury in an effort to catch him and later felt certain that, had he entered the straight on level terms, he would have been first to the line.

The race was slow, won by *Baumann in 13min* 36.93sec. "At 13min 36sec, only the winner can say it was a good race," Baumann said. Denmark recorded 13min 37.5sec and Abel Anton, of Spain, having won the 10,000 metres, 13min 38.04sec for third place.

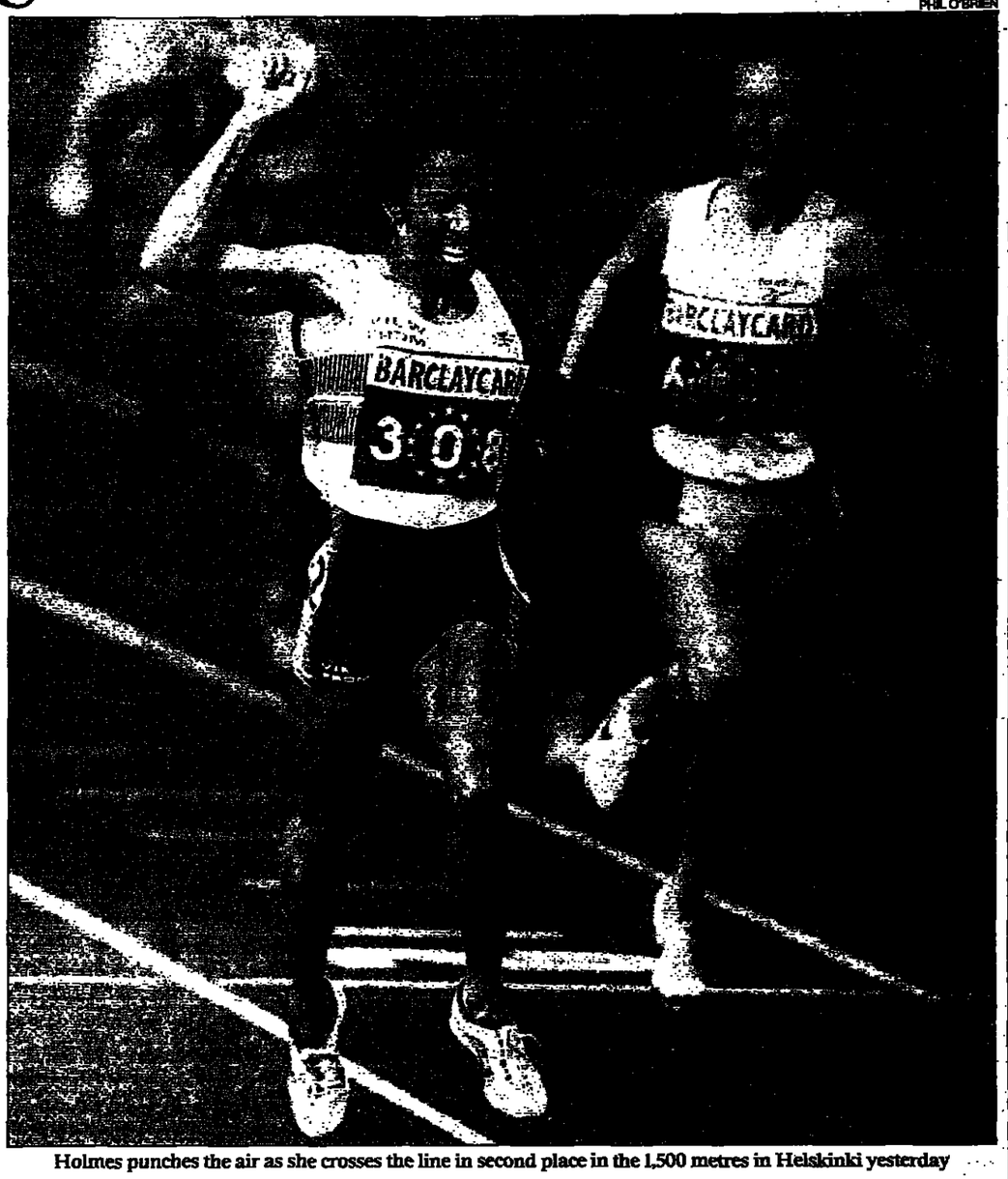
This was Denmark's first outdoor championship medal. Competing in the very last race of the programme was something he would not wish to go through again. "It was awful, waiting and waiting," he said. "You see people come and go and you are still there. It is a relief it is over."

Having said at the beginning of the season that he would not run in the World Cup for Britain at Crystal Palace in September, he has changed his mind and offered to fill the 10,000 metres place. He is not available for the 5,000 metres because it falls on a day when he will be attending a friend's wedding reception.

Holmes's second place represented the first medal by a British woman in the 1,500 metres at the European championships. This, too, was a slow race, won by Lyudmila Rogachova, of Russia, in 4min 18.93sec. Holmes recorded 4min 19.30sec Yekaterina Podkopayeva, 42, also of Russia, 4min 19.37sec for third.

At the bell, Holmes was jostled into the second lane and, by the time she had found an inside track, Rogacheva was away. Holmes, an Army corporal who will be back on duty tomorrow, fought hard round the top bend, but looked like taking the bronze medal at best when she came off the bend. However, Podkopayeva eased up as the line approached Holmes, giving everything, stole the silver.

PHIL O'BRIEN



Holmes punches the air as she crosses the line in second place in the 1,500 metres in Helskinki yesterday

Success is cause for celebration and concern

David Miller believes that the European championships have seen standards suffer as athletics moves towards professionalism

Just how good is the state of British athletics? The medal count for the European championships — 13 — looks impressive enough, yet there are conflicting factors at work, some a complement to British achievement, some coincidentally influential.

There is the possibility that professional athletics faces a long-term crisis in the generation of new blood among more advanced societies, leaving the way open, especially in running, for the more ambitious third world countries.

What the British team has demonstrated here over the past eight days — which should have been only six, the programme being unnecessarily elongated — has been character and professionalism *as much as talent in champi*onships of below-average standard. Not just Europe, but the whole of athletics is undergoing radical evolution, by no means all of it healthy.

The British heroes here have not been Christie, Jackson and Gunnell — Christie rightly censured by the management for scruffy behaviour — because they predictably defeated inferior opposition. The credit much more belonged to Roger Black, Steve Backley, Du'aine Ladejo, Mark Rowland, who finished fourth, Phylis Smith and Steve Smith, against a background of injury and misfortune.

British eminence is thus partially a tribute to individual determination, but also to the increasing professionalism in administration by the team management, led by Verona Elder, and by coaching and *medical support of the British* Athletics Federation (BAF). Never before has a British team taken nine official coaches, with as many again being present independently to advise their own athletes. It might seem unimportant to the casual observer, but the back-up network, both on-site and at home throughout the *year, is fundamental to* performance.

"I don't think we have ever been so well organised," Elder said. Peter Radford, the new executive chairman of the BAF, has found himself repeatedly interrogated by other countries here on Britain's successful recruitment system from clubs and on team discipline regarding the wearing of contract-sponsored apparel — brazenly flaunted by Christie.

Yet beneath the satisfaction for the BAF — which, among other projects, has a feasibility study underway by Mike Whittingham for the introduction of contracted professionals — *there should be a degree* of alarm, which the International Amateur Athletic Federation ought to share.

The more professional, and highly rewarded, the small top echelon a competition becomes, the stronger the disincentive — as opposed to incentive, which some imag*ine — there will be for young* people lower down the scale to devote the thousands of hours that are necessary to becoming an athletic champion.

The sport is creating a *dangerous, hugely imbal*anced, two-tier structure. Brendan Foster, whose estimable championship career, from 1,500 to 10,000 metres, in the Seventies was a forerunner to the era of Ovett and Coe, voices the fear that in future there will be a shrinking base to the runners' pyramid; where once there was *common honour among all* competitors, the majority will now no longer be willing, Foster argues, to pursue the slight prospect of financial reward available to only a few. The sport is no longer pure.

The syndrome is already apparent in Finland and is starkly evident in the former Soviet satellite nations. Only *Russia's status survives and* perhaps that not for too many years.

How much longer will naturally gifted sportsmen and women of any nation regard the hammer throw or triple jump as a worthy career ambition, given the hours necessary to achieve distinction, the shortage of national funding everywhere and the increasing pressure on the availability of those funds from other sources? Multi-event track and field athletics *is especially a long-term vul*nerable sport, never mind its current exposure and image.

Moreover, now that random drugs-testing is levelling the playing field, countries that pursued athletic success before political prestige will no longer bother.

As for middle-distance running, Ian Stewart, the interim *BAF promotions officer and* one of a profusion of world-class runners 15 years ago with Foster, Bedford, Rose, Black, Simmons and Ford, is adamant that contemporary British runners have little idea how properly to utilise altitude training and that this misjudgment is contributing to the present lack of success, together with disruptive road running for financial reward.

"People like Morceli and Baumann (the 5,000m winner yesterday) know exactly how to use altitude training, coming down briefly before the big races," Stewart said. "One of our problems is that we have no national endurance coach. If runners are interested in *money, they ought to under*stand that nowadays medals mean money."



Baumann celebrates with Denmark in his wake

HELSINKI RESULTS

All finals

Men

800 METRES: 1, A Bernevun (It) 1min 46.13sec, 2, V Podal (Nor) 1.46.53, 3, T De Teresa (Sp) 1.46.57, 4, N Metchebon (Ger) 1.46.65, 5, G D'Urso (It) 1.46.90, 6, C *Wirrow (GB), 1.47.09; 7, J Cereca (Sp)* 1.47.58; 8, A Douglas (Nor) 1.47.90

5,000 METRES: 1, D Baumann (Ger) 13min 36.93sec, 2, R Denmark (GB) 13.37.50; 3, A Anton (Sp) 13.38.04, 4, A Behar (Fr) 13.38.36, 5, J Nuttall (GB) 13.38.65, 6, J-C Adan (Sp) 13.39.16, 7, R Umala (Fin) 13.40.84; 8, A Jimenez (Sp) 13:41.60; 13, F O'Mara (Ire) 13:58.75

MARATHON: 1, M Fiz (Sp) 2hr 10min 31sec, 2, D Garcia (Sp) 2:10.46, 3, A Juzdado (Sp) 2:11.18; 4, R Nerurkar (GB) 2:11:56, 5, L Di Laito (It) 2:12.41, 6 A Rodrigues (Por) 2:12:43, 7, M Matos (Por) 2:12.48, 8, H Hanninen (Fin) 2:13.21, 27, P Whitehead (GB) 2:16 40 31, W Foster (GB) 2:17 12, 52, S Brace (GB) 2:24.21.

4 x 100 METRES RELAY: 1, France (H Lomba, D Sangouma, J-C Trouabal, E Perrot) 38.57sec; 2, Ukraine 38.98; 3, Italy38.99, 4, Swedan 39.05; 5, Greece 39.25; 6, Germany 39.36, 7, Finland 39.80. *Great Britain did not qualify*

4 x 400 METRES RELAY: Final: 1, Great Britain (D McKenzie, B Whittle, R Black, D Ladejo) 2min 59.13sec, 2, France 3.01.11; 3, Russia 3.03.10; 4, Italy 3.03.46, 5, Germany 3.04.15, 6, Poland 3.04.22, 7, Finland 3.04.55

50 KILOMETRES WALK: 1, V Spitsyn (Russ) 3hr 41min 07sec, 2, T Toutain (Fr) 3.43.52; 3, G Perricelli (It) 3.43.55, 4, J-A Garca (Sp) 3.45.25; 5, R Korzeniowski (Pol) 3.45.57, 6, G Skurygin (Russ) 3.46.30, 7, V Kononen (Fin) 3.47.14, 8, A Plotnikov (Russ) 3.47.43

TRIPLE JUMP: 1, D Kapushin (Russ) 17.62m, 2, S Helan (Fr) 17.55, 3, M Bruzkis (Lat) 17.20, 4, V Sokov (Russ) 16.97, 5, G Markov (Russ) 16.89, 6, J Edwards (GB) 16.85; 7, G Sainte-Rose (Fr) 16.59; 8, A Ratzgys (Lith) 16.59; 9, J Golley (GB) 16.35

SHOT: Final: 1, A Klimenko (Ukr) 20.78m, 2, A Bagach (Ukr) 20.34, 3, R Virastyuk (Ukr) 19.59, 4, M Halvan (Fin) 19.52, 5, M Forsmen (Fin) 19.51, 6, D Penc (Yug) 19.40, 7, P Gudmundsson (Ice) 19.34, 8 P Dal Soglio (It) 19.15.

DISCUS: 1, V Dubrovshchik (Belorus) 64.78m, 2, D Shevchenko (Russ) 64.56, 3, J Schult (Ger) 64.18, 4, N Sweeney (Ire) 63.76; 5, A Horvath (Hun) 63.60, 6 V Zinchenko (Ukr) 63.60, 7, S-I Valvik (Nor) 62.02, 8, C Grasu (Rom) 61.40

DECATHLON: 1, A Blondel (Fr) 8,453; 2, H Degard (Swe) 8,362, 3, L Lobodin (Ukr) 8,201 4, C Plaziat (Fr) 8,127; 5, S Schmid (Ger) 8,109 6, S Munkacsi (Hun) 8,071; 7, T Dvorak (Cz) 8,065, 8, D Szabo (Hun) 7,996

Women

1,500 METRES: 1, L Rogachova (Russ) 4min 18.93sec, 2, K Holmes (GB) 4:19.30; 3, Y Podkopayeva (Russ) 4.19.37, 4, M Zuniga (Sp) 4.19.77 5, L Kremlyova (Russ) 4.19.77, 6, M Rydz (Pol) 4:19.80; 7, C Sacramento (Por) 4.20.62, 8, E Kiessling (Ger) 4.20.79; 12, G Nolan (Ire) 4.23.59

10,000 METRES: 1, F Ribeiro (Por) 31min 08.75sec, 2, C Ferreira (Por) 31.32.82; 3, D Nauer (Switz) 31.35.96, 4, K Wessel (Ger) 31.38.75, 5, C Micaros (Rom) 31.41.09, 6, M Guida (It) 31.42.14, 7, F Marques (Por) 31.53.12, 8, K Kashapova (Rus) 31.55.99.

4 x 100 METRES RELAY: 1, Germany (M Paschke, B Zipp, S Knoll, S Lichtenhagen) 42.90sec; 2, Russia 42.96, 3, Bulgaria 43.00; 4, Ukraine 43.61, 5, Great Britain (S Douglas, K Merry, S Jacobs, P Thomas) *43.63, 6, Holland 43.81; 7, Finland 43*

4 x 400 METRES RELAY: 1, France (F Landre, V Dorsile, E Ellen, M-J Perec) 3min 22.34sec, 2, Russia 3.24.06, 3, Germany 3.24.10, 4, Great Britain (M Neef, L Keough, P Smith, S Gunnell) 3.24.14, 5, Czech Republic 3.27.85; 6 Switzerland 3.28.78, 7, Poland 3.29.75

HIGH JUMP: Final: 1, B Bilac (Slovenia) 2.00m; 2, Y Gulyayeva (Russ) 1.96, 3, N Zilinskiene (Lith) 1.93; 4, I Babakova (Ukr) 1.93, 5, H Haugland (Nor) 1.93, 6, H Balck (Ger) 1.93; equal 7, S Laseva (Bul) and Y Topchina (Russ) 1.90.

Marathon men make race history

David Powell highlights a remarkable clean sweep by three Spanish runners at Helsinki

AN ACHIEVEMENT unprecedented in Olympic, world and European championship marathon running was witnessed here yesterday as one country took all three medals. A trio of Spaniards prevented Richard Nerurkar, Britain's World Cup champion, from adding to his laurels.

Martin Fiz, Diego Garcia and Alberto Juzdado, running as a team, increased their *pace at 20 miles to draw away* from Nerurkar, who finished fourth. Their time between 30 and 35 kilometres, 15min 09sec, was their fastest split, *putting them 19 seconds clear* of the Briton; until then Nerurkar had been running comfortably just behind the Spaniards.

Fiz's winning time of 2hr 10min 31sec was a championship record. Garcia followed in 2:10.46, Juzdado in 2:11.18 and Nerurkar in 2:11.56. Miguel Mostaza, who manages the Spaniards, said that they had been "worried" about Nerurkar, recognising that he had won his first two marathons as a result of sound pace judgment and his strength over the last three miles.

That much was evident from the way they constantly checked over their shoulders.

In winning the World Cup *on Spanish roads in San* Sebastian last year, Nerurkar defeated Garcia and Juzdado, but now it was their strength which told against him. "I ran *a good race and my rhythm* was good, but I was just not strong enough," he said. "I am disappointed."

While British marathon runners are given no direct help by their national federation, Fiz receives $40,000 a year and Garcia and Juzdado $30,000 each.

The support enabled them to train together for two months at altitude in Segovia and the scheme returned a handsome dividend as Fermin Cacho and Abel Anton, winners of the 1,500 and 10,000 metres, are also on $40,000 a year. "It keeps your mind focused," Mostaza said.

Nerurkar is not complaining: he is satisfied that his contract with a shoe manufacturer allows him to prepare without needing to race for money. However, it should be of some embarrassment to the British Athletic Federation *that Bill Foster, Britain's third* finisher, in 31st place, received more assistance from the Australian Institute of Sport than from the BAF.

Foster spent eight weeks in Australia at the institute's expense, except for the cost of his flight, which he financed himself, involved a scheme to investigate the effects of altitude training. The trip helped him towards a personal best 2hr 17min 12sec here.

While Spain dominated the men's distance events, Portugal did so in the women's. Manuela Machado won the marathon and Fernanda Ribeiro took the 10,000 metres gold medal.

Both receive some $20,000 a year from the Portuguese federation and their clubs but the interest in distance running begun by the 10,000 metres silver medal won by Carlos Lopes at the 1976 *Olympics had a stimulating* effect. As the success story gathered pace, through Rosa Mota, Fernando Mamede and the Castro twins, so *Portugal's road racing calen*dar, and prize-money, grew.

"It is not a question of training methods, of coach education, or of altitude," Jorge Vieira, Portugal's director of coaching, said. "It is a question of tradition. Of course the money helps." Not only the athletes but the coaches, too. In a unique scheme, the Portuguese government pays prize-money to athletes who win medals and also to their coaches.

Britannic Assurance county championship

Gloucestershire v Northamptonshire

BRISTOL (third day of four): Gloucestershire, with six second-innings wickets in hand, are 99 runs ahead of Northamptonshire

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings 298 (R I Dawson 93, M G N Windows 77)

Second Innings

A J Wright b Curran	66
M G N Windowe lbw b Curran	27
T H C Hancock lbw b Curran	9
R I Dawson b Curran	12
M W Alleyne not out	29
M Davies not out	1
Extras (lb 6, nb 2)	8
Total (4 wkts)	152

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-53, 2-65, 3-79, 4-138.
BOWLING: Ambrose 12-6-23-0; Hughes 13-4-36-0; Penberthy 10-3-28-0; Curran 12-2-45-4; Roberts 7-2-17-0.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings

R R Montgomerie c Russell b Williams	23
A Fordham c Russell b Sheeraz	4
R J Bailey c Ball b Sheeraz	26
M B Loye b Alleyne	0
*A J Lamb c and b Williams	61
K M Curran c Wright b Alleyne	92
A L Penberthy c Russell b Williams	62
†D Ripley c Russell b Alleyne	1
A R Roberts not out	35
C E L Ambrose c Wright b Ball	13
J G Hughes c Ball b Alleyne	16
Extras (lb 8, nb 8)	16
Total	349

Score at 120 overs: 277-7.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-52, 3-55, 4-94, 5-148, 6-282, 7-271, 8-296, 9-315.
BOWLING: Williams 35-8-82-3; Sheeraz 15-2-34-2; Alleyne 38.2-10-78-4; Ball 35-11-85-1; Davies 15-2-38-0; Dawson 3-1-6-0; Hancock 8-1-20-0.

Bonus points: Gloucestershire 5 Northamptonshire 6.

Umpires: J H Hampshire and N T Plews.

Kent v Durham

CANTERBURY (third day of four): Durham, with five second-innings wickets in hand, are 65 runs ahead of Kent

KENT: First Innings 385 (S A Marsh 85 not out, M J McCague 56; P Bainbridge 4 for 72)

DURHAM: First Innings

J I Longley c Walker b Hooper	34
M Saxelby c Marsh b Hooper	62
D M Cox c Ward b Patel	0
J E Morris c Hooper b Patel	0
*P Bainbridge b Hooper	5
J A Daley c Marsh b Hooper	18
S Hutton b Patel	23
†C W Scott c Ward b Hooper	3
A C Cummins not out	40
D A Graveney b Patel	1
S J E Brown run out	3
Extras (lb 4, lb 5)	9
Total (73.5 overs)	196

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-80, 2-81, 3-81, 4-88, 5-118, 6-121, 7-129, 8-177, 9-187.
BOWLING: McCague 6-2-17-0; Wren 8-1-30-0; Ealham 7-0-20-0; Patel 26.5-4-68-4; Hooper 26-10-62-5.

Second Innings

J I Longley st Marsh b Hooper	24
M Saxelby c Marsh b Hooper	44
J E Morris c Marsh b Patel	94
*P Bainbridge c Marsh b Fleming	53
J A Daley c Marsh b Patel	4
S Hutton not out	8
D A Graveney not out	2
Extras (b 4, lb 7, w 2, nb 2)	15
Total (5 wkts)	264

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-68, 2-72, 3-237, 4-237, 5-250.
BOWLING: McCague 8-0-38-0; Ealham 12-2-40-0; Patel 28.7-69-2; Hooper 25.5-89-2; Wren 5-1-21-0; Fleming 5-1-18-1.

Bonus points: Kent 3 Durham 4.

Umpires: B Dudleston and J W Holder.

Sussex v Derbyshire

EASTBOURNE (third day of four): Derbyshire, with five second-innings wickets in hand, require 82 runs to beat Sussex

SUSSEX: First Innings 171 (D M Smith 63; P A J DeFreitas 5 for 73, D E Malcolm 4 for 37)

Second Innings

N J Lenham lbw b Cork	21
C W J Athey c Rollins b Vandrau	11
*D M Smith c Warner b Cork	4
*A P Wells c Krikken b Malcolm	11
M P Speight b Cork	46
†P Moores lbw b Malcolm	3
F D Stephenson lbw b Malcolm	12
P W Jarvis lbw b Cork	12
I D K Salisbury c Krikken b Cork	5
E E Hemmings not out	0
E S H Giddins b Cork	0
Extras (lb 7, w 1, nb 4)	12
Total	127

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-39, 3-39, 4-56, 5-60, 6-91, 7-102, 8-124, 9-127.
BOWLING: DeFreitas 8-2-18-0; Malcolm 19-4-49-3; Vandrau 10-2-25-1; Cork 24.5-8-29-6.

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings 123 (E S H Giddins 5 for 38, I D K Salisbury 4 for 30)

Second Innings

P D Bowler c Moores b Giddins	52
A S Rollins c Salisbury b Jarvis	1
C J Adams lbw b Hemmings	6
T J G O'Gorman c Speight b Hemmings	0
*K J Barnett c Smith b Salisbury	13
†K M Krikken not out	11
M J Vandrau not out	1
Extras (b 9, lb 1)	10
Total (5 wkts)	94

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-18, 2-40, 3-40, 4-57, 5-88.
BOWLING: Stephenson 7-1-16-0; Jarvis 5-1-10-1; Salisbury 19-12-22-1; Giddins 12-2-27-1; Hemmings 14-8-9-2.

Bonus points: Sussex 4 Derbyshire 4.

Umpires: J C Balderstone and G I Burgess.

Warwickshire v Nottinghamshire

EDGBASTON (third day of four): Warwickshire, with seven second-innings wickets in hand, need 142 runs to avoid an innings defeat against Nottinghamshire

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings 597 for 8 dec (C C Lewis 220 not out, P R Pollard 134, P Johnson 63, K P Evans 55)

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings

A J Moles c Hindson b Evans	15
R G Twose c Noon b Evans	20
D P Ostler c Noon b Mike	14
T L Penney c Lewis b Evans	28
†K J Piper b Pick	57
P A Smith c Archer b Lewis	9
B C Lara lbw b Mike	15
G Welch not out	64
N M K Smith c Noon b Lewis	36
G C Small c Noon b Mike	16
*T A Munton lbw b Evans	3
Extras (b 4, lb 7, nb 11)	22
Total (89 overs)	321

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-38, 3-67, 4-112, 5-141, 6-153, 7-169, 8-237, 9-298.
BOWLING: Pick 24-8-71-1; Evans 23-6-71-4; Mike 20-3-87-3; Lewis 16-2-61-2; Hindson 6-0-20-0.

Second Innings

A J Moles lbw b Lewis	14
R G Twose not out	74
B C Lara b Adams	0
D P Ostler c Archer b Adams	10
T L Penney not out	24
Extras (b 4, lb 2, nb 6)	12
Total (3 wkts)	134

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-58, 2-59, 3-65.
BOWLING: Lewis 11-4-35-1; Pick 4-1-26-0; Adams 17-6-27-2; Evans 8-1-22-0; Hindson 5-2-18-0.

Bonus points: Warwickshire 5 Nottinghamshire 6.

Umpires: B Leadbeater and V A Holder.

Yorkshire v Lancashire

HEADINGLEY (third day of four): Yorkshire, with six second-innings wickets in hand, are 50 runs ahead of Lancashire

YORKSHIRE: First Innings 214 (M D Moxon 66, A P Grayson 51 not out; G Chapple 4 for 51, P J Martin 4 for 87)

Second Innings

*M D Moxon c Hegg b Chapple	15
S A Kellett c Hegg b Martin	8
D Byas not out	102
B Parker b Martin	50
†R J Blakey c Hegg b Martin	0
A P Grayson not out	55
Extras (b 2, lb 1, nb 8)	9
Total (4 wkts)	240

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-19, 2-84, 3-128, 4-128.
BOWLING: Martin 19-6-47-3; Chapple 17-6-48-1; Austin 17-5-39-0; Watkinson 18-4-58-0; Gallian 6-0-44-0; Fairbrother 1-0-3-0.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings

M Atherton c Hartley b Gough	21
J P Crawley lbw b Robinson	8
†P Catterall st Blakey b Gough	5
N H Fairbrother (Capt) c Hartley b Gough	30
N J Speak c Hamilton b Robinson	143
S P Titchard c Blakey b Gough	39
*M Watkinson c Blakey b Gough	10
J D Austin c Kellett b Stemp	30
P W K Hegg c Byas b Stemp	11
P J Martin run out	16
G Chapple not out	15
Extras (b 4, lb 19, w 2, nb 34)	59
Total (110 overs)	404

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-33, 2-33, 3-38, 4-44, 5-66, 6-123, 7-125, 8-171.
BOWLING: Radford 20-4-82-2; Lampitt 12-3-29-3; Newport 14-8-19-2; Haynes 3-0-7-0; Illingworth 12-1-44-0; Hick 18-4-35-1

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

*T S Curtis b Simmons	20
W P C Weston c Nixon b Mullally	3
G A Hick b Parsons	35
T M Moody c Pierson b Mullally	49
G R Haynes c Nixon b Parsons	53
R K Illingworth c Whitaker b Millns	20
D A Leatherdale c Nixon b Simmons	14
†S J Rhodes c Nixon b Parsons	34
S R Lampitt lbw b Parsons	14
P J Newport b Parsons	1
N V Radford not out	1
Extras (b 6, lb 10, w 2, nb 12)	30
Total (82.2 overs)	276

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-74, 3-74, 4-174, 5-210, 6-211, 7-245, 8-276, 9-277.
BOWLING: Millns 18-1-81-1; Mullally 13-3-55-2; Parsons 20.2-5-34-5; Simmons 19-5-45-2; Wells 9-2-44-0; Pierson 3-2-2-0.

Bonus points: Leicestershire 6 Worcestershire 6.

Umpires: J D Bond and B J Meyer.

First Test

Sri Lanka v Pakistan

COLOMBO (fourth day of five): Pakistan beat Sri Lanka by 301 runs

PAKISTAN: First Innings 390 (Saeed Anwar 34, Inzamam-ul-Haq 81; H D B K Dharmasena 6 for 99)

Second Innings

Saeed Anwar c Dassanayake b Warnaweera	136
Aamir Sohail c Jayasuriya b Dharmasena	65
Asif Mujtaba c Dassanayake b Warnaweera	31
*Salim Malik not out	50
Basit Ali b Dharmasena	11
Inzamam-ul-Haq not out	7
Extras (lb 6, nb 12)	18
Total (4 wkts dec, 91 overs)	318

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-128, 2-202, 3-273, 4-298.
BOWLING: Wickremasinghe 5-0-25-0; Dharmasena 31-2-84-2; Warnaweera 31-1-109-2; Muralitharan 11-0-42-0; Jayasuriya 13-0-53-0.

SRI LANKA: First Innings: 226 (P A de Silva 127)

Second Innings

R S Mahanama c sub b Reza	37
S T Jayasuriya c Rashid b Wasim Akram	1
A P Gurusinha c Asif b Waqar	8
P A de Silva c and b Waqar	5
*H P Tillekaratne c and b Reza	8
A Ranatunga st Rashid b Reza	41
†P B Dassanayake b Wasim Akram	24
H D B K Dharmasena lbw b Wasim Akram	30
G P Wickremasinghe b Wasim Akram	4
M Muralitharan not out	20
K P J Warnaweera b Wasim Akram	0
Extras (lb 2, nb 1)	3
Total (47 overs)	181

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-30, 3-38, 4-52, 5-59, 6-118, 7-135, 8-160, 9-181.
BOWLING: Wasim Akram 18-4-43-5; Waqar 7-0-28-2; Reza 16-3-83-3; Mushtaq 6-1-25-0.

Man of the match: Saeed Anwar.

Umpires: K T Francis and I T Robinson.

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Challengers aim to open up one-horse race

BY ALAN LEE
CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

THE widely held belief that this year's championship pennant is already booked for Edgbaston may seem wildly premature by this evening. If results fall as the third-day scores suggest, Warwickshire's lead will be cut to nine points over Leicestershire, who will head a pursuing pack of four clubs covered by only another 11 points.

Among the assumptions involved here are that Leicestershire will win a fascinating game with Worcestershire, that Sussex will take Derbyshire's five remaining wickets for fewer than 81 and that Nottinghamshire will bowl out Warwickshire a second time to end their unbeaten record. Some, even all, of these things may not occur, but this remains a volatile championship, unlikely to be decided before mid-September.

Warwickshire have discovered such remarkable reserves under pressure that it seems churlish to doubt them now. They have already played more big games, those when only winning will do, than most teams have encountered in a single season, and responded astonishingly to each situation. Their present form, however, is that of a pacesetting racehorse tiring on the run-in.

This is not to be wondered at. Dermot Reeve has missed five of the last six championship games through illness and injury. Tim Munton, who not only captains in Reeve's absence but also carries the seam attack, has bowled appreciably more overs than any quick bowler in the country. And Brian Lara, by his lofty standards, is having a poor trot. On Saturday, he was out twice, for 15 and nought, and his first-class average slipped below 100.

Warwickshire are not, however, surrendering their record without a scrap. Their last three first-innings wickets added 152, and Roger Twose, one of the players of the season, is 74 not out in the follow-on. This is defiance to shame their closest challengers, Surrey, whose batting — all vim and vibrancy when the force is with them — buckles too feebly and regularly for them to be taken seriously as potential champions.

Essex bowled them out for 88 at Colchester and should win by an innings today. Surrey would then have lost three of their last four games by crushing margins, setbacks from which they could not recover.

By tonight, indeed, second place may be held by Leicestershire, still unfancied and unfashionable yet still confounding all.

They have work to do today and would ideally like Gordon Parsons and David Millns to add a few more to their unbroken ninth-wicket stand of 59, which has extended the lead to 235, before turning to their usual role of taking wickets. Win this one and even sleepy Grace Road may begin to buzz, because Leicestershire's last four games are all against teams with little left to play for.

Before that, however, they must meet Sussex, beginning on Thursday. This is the first of three tough fixtures, the others being against Warwickshire and Essex, which will govern whether Sussex have it in them to be champions.

Sussex unarguably have more match-winning bowlers than any of their rivals, and if pitches remain dry through the coming weeks, Salisbury and Hemmings will be crucial.

Snell misses his chance of maiden hundred

BY SIMON WILDE

PONTYPRIDD (second day of three): Glamorgan, with six second-innings wickets in hand, are 129 runs ahead of the South Africans

THINGS have changed somewhat since the South Africans last visited Ynysangharad Park in the heart of the Welsh valleys. In 1929, little was known about bouncy castles, Mexican waves or Sprinters populating the local railway line, all of which contributed to a holiday atmosphere yesterday, never mind politically correct cricket teams.

This first apartheid-free South African team to tour England were in relaxed mood themselves, having gone into the match without four of their Test players, including three of their four fast bowlers. One of them, Donald, went gingerly through a lunchtime net and is hopeful of playing in the third Test match on Thursday.

South African generosity extended to a declaration at 288 for six, when they were still 49 runs behind, but not to their bowling in the final hour, which reduced Glamorgan's second innings to 58 for four.

In the first over Matthews had James leg-before; in the sixth Snell had Dale well taken at mid-off by Symcox; in the tenth Symcox himself got one to turn and had Hemp caught behind; and in the eleventh Watkin, who was pushed up the order, provided Matthews with another leg-before victim.

If Glamorgan are to avoid defeat today, much will depend on the incumbents at the crease, Maynard and Cottey, who had carried the score to 80 for four by stumps.

If Watkin failed in his role as a nightwatchman, Snell did not. Having gone in at No 3 on Saturday evening, when both South African openers had been dismissed, he took the opportunity to bat for over two hours and make 94, the highest score of his career.

Apart from a few loose strokes early in his innings, during which he gave his only chance when on 13, Snell played few false shots and hit the ball cleanly, as 16 fours would suggest. As he began the day without a run to his name and was out — to a superb diving catch at point by James — at eight minutes past one, he was on course to reach his maiden century before lunch.

Snell shared a third-wicket partnership of 173 with Cronje, who was made to look the junior partner in the relationship. Cronje hit 46 of his 78 runs in boundaries but the most interesting thing about his innings was its end. After all, not many people have been stumped on a first-class cricket field by Matthew Maynard.

Maynard had taken over the gloves shortly after lunch when Shaw, playing only his second match for Glamorgan, was hit in the mouth by a ball from Croft that took a deflection from Wessels's pad. Shaw lost two teeth and damaged several others but resumed his duties after tea.

Maynard displayed his athleticism a few times but Cronje gave him all the time in the world to gather the ball from the ground and remove the bails after he had danced yards down the pitch and missed an attempted drive against Croft. It was one of two wickets in the South African innings for the deserving Croft, who bowled a long and testing spell of 34 overs.

Croft, who has had a miserable season during which he has probably been hit for as many sixes and he has taken wickets, posed enough problems for the South African batsmen to raise serious doubts about the possibility of England going into the Oval Test match without a specialist spin bowler.

Unfortunately, Maynard missed the opportunity for further glory when he was slow getting up to the stumps to take a sharp return from James in the covers. The error afforded Wessels, then on 13, the chance to spend three hours at the crease, for which all he had to show was 45 runs.

It was typically excruciating, most unholiday-like, stuff from the South African captain and led to one plaintive — but unanswered — cry to the magician in one corner of the park: "Please, sir, couldn't you make Kepler Wessels disappear?"

ALISTAIR GRANT



Mike Gatting has a spring in his step at Lord's yesterday after hearing of his recall to the England squad for the third Test against South Africa. Report, page 19

England succumb to exotic flourishes

BY IVO TENNANT

TAUNTON (final day of four): India Under-19 beat England Under-19 by nine wickets

IN SPITE of England making 411 in their second innings, India won the first of three under-19 representative matches while the sun was still high behind the yardarm. Their wristy, natural stroke players could not be contained on a pitch that was taking only gentle spin yesterday.

Most of these Indian teenagers have more experience of first-class cricket than their English counterparts and consequently are more disciplined in terms of waiting for the right ball to hit. And there were a few of those here, not least when Arun Kumar and Singh were putting on 50 in the first ten overs.

Needing 161 for victory, India had the match won for the loss of only Arun, caught at slip off one that Keedy, a left-arm spinner, did manage to get to turn and bounce in his first over. Arun's 38 included seven fours and neither Singh and Muzundar concerned themselves with singles, either. Some of their stroke play, the ball whipped from outside off stump through midwicket was a joy to watch.

It was also a novelty to England's medium-pace bowlers, who are not used to such exotic cricket. They tended to become carried away with their delight in making the ball bounce over the batsmen's heads.

But it was the England batsmen who lost this match through feckless dismissals in the first innings. There was no coming back from that, although Vaughan and one or two others excelled on Saturday. Seven wickets down overnight, England lost their remaining three for eight runs yesterday morning. Siddiqui took nine wickets in the match.

Worcestershire scrape to victory

BY PAT GIBSON

LEICESTER (Worcestershire won toss): Worcestershire (4pts) beat Leicestershire by two runs

WORCESTERSHIRE kept within four points of Warwickshire with a game in hand at the top of the AXA Equity & Law Sunday League but not before they had been run ragged yesterday by Leicestershire Sunday, not to be confused with the team that represents the county on the other days of the week.

This young side could borrow the nickname of Leicester's famous rugby-playing Tigers, and only a magnificent diving catch by Gavin Haynes at backward square leg off the last ball of the match prevented them from tearing Worcestershire's title ambitions to pieces.

Leicestershire, chasing a target of 204, were inspired by a third-wicket stand of 79 in 18 overs between Darren Maddy, aged 20, and Ben Smith, two years his senior, who seemed to bring the best out of each other in their contest for the same place in the championship side.

Maddy made 53 off 60 balls and Smith 56 off 78, but they were checked by Richard Illingworth, who bowled his eight overs for 17 as well as forcing Maddy to play on, and Stuart Lampitt, who had Smith as one of his four victims.

It looked all over for Leicestershire then, but Peter Hepworth and Gordon Parsons revived them by hitting 50 in ten overs before Hepworth was run out off the penultimate ball to set up a thrilling climax in which Adrian Pierson failed heroically in his attempt to hit the last ball for four.

Hepworth, a part-time off spinner, who had taken only ten wickets in 29 Sunday matches, had earlier claimed five for 51 to restrict Worcestershire to a total of 203 for eight which was founded on a second wicket of 99 in 21 overs between Tim Curtis and Graeme Hick, who hit 65.

That over cost Hepworth 14, but he took ample revenge when he got rid of both Hick, who holed out at long-off, and Curtis, caught at wide long-on, in quick succession.

Hepworth was suddenly bowling with confidence and he went on to take wickets in each of his next three overs, yet Worcestershire still contrived to score 78 from the last 72 balls and finish with what turned out to be a winning score. Just.

TABLE

	P	W	L	T	NR	Pts
Warwicks (10)	13	10	2	0	1	42
Worcs (16)	12	9	2	0	1	38
Kent (2)	13	9	4	0	0	36
Lancashire (6)	12	8	3	0	1	34
Derbyshire (11)	13	7	4	0	2	32
Surrey (3)	13	6	4	0	3	30
Glamorgan (1) .	12	6	4	-1	1	28
Durham (7)	13	5	4	1	3	28
Yorkshire (9)	12	6	5	0	1	26
Leics (14)	12	5	6	0	1	22
Notts (17)	13	4	8	0	3	22
Hampshire (15) .	12	5	7	0	0	20
Northants (5)	13	4	7	1	1	20
Middlesex (8)	13	4	8	0	1	18
Sussex (4)	13	4	8	0	1	18
Somerset (18)	13	4	9	0	0	16
Gloucs (13)	13	3	9	0	1	14
Essex (12)	13	2	9	1	1	12

(Last season's positions in brackets)

Warwickshire race on at head of field

BY MICHAEL HENDERSON

EDGBASTON (Nottinghamshire won toss): Warwickshire (4pts) beat Nottinghamshire by 72 runs

WARWICKSHIRE are on the wrong end of the championship match but they administered a thrashing yesterday in the 40-over contest. After last week's defeat at Edgbaston against Worcestershire they needed this win, which keeps them four points ahead of their neighbours in the AXA Equity & Law League.

Invited to bat on a pitch that looked full of runs, they proved that appearances were not deceptive. Their score of 294 for six was the highest they have made at Edgbaston in the 26 years of the Sunday competition. Only when Paul Johnson was making 45 from 33 balls did Nottinghamshire suggest they would remotely approach their target.

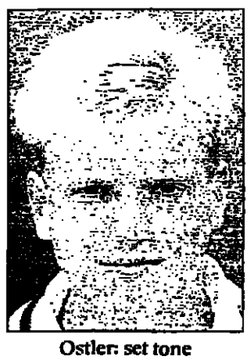
They can thank Tim Robinson for that. If Warwickshire had been given the choice of any batsman to lead the pursuit, his name would have been near the top of the list. To bat through 102 balls for 76 when the requirement was seven runs an over — even if he was the anchorman — tells its own story.

Another ten overs of Johnson would have been bracing, to say the least. Last year he made a hundred in 64 balls against Kent. He had just found his ideal range here, pulling Small for six, when he perished in attempting to hit another. Piper, swift off the mark behind the stumps, sprinted 30 yards to take a fine running catch.

Lewis, fresh from his double century on Friday, was now confronted with a big task. It had not been his day at all, as he conceded 56 runs from eight anodyne overs, missed Lara and failed to catch Paul Smith when the sun dazzled his eyes. Smith, at long-off, kept his eyes on the ball when Lewis, in reciprocal mood, lifted Davis to long-off.

Warwickshire began the afternoon at a terrific gallop. By the time Neil Smith was run out by Noon in the twelfth over, he and Ostler had made 92. Ostler, hooking Mike for two sixes, set the tone. There were a further 11 sixes in all, three from Lara's bat, which pleased the crowd greatly.

Field-Buss suffered most as Lara and Twose added 121 in 18 overs for the third wicket. Lara put him on the pavilion roof immediately after Lewis had fumbled a chance in front of it. Eventually, after a bright innings of 75 from 72 balls, Lara was bowled by Bobby Chapman, son of the former Nottingham Forest centre-half, who was making his Sunday debut.



Ostler: set tone

Pace of Wasim proves Sri Lanka's downfall

WASIM Akram, the Pakistan fast bowler, captured five wickets to guide his team to an emphatic victory, by 301 runs, with more than a day to spare in the first Test match against Sri Lanka in Colombo on Saturday.

Sri Lanka, chasing a near-impossible target of 483 to win in their second innings, were dismissed for 181 an hour before the close. Wasim was the scourge of the Sri Lanka batsmen, finishing with five for 43 that included three wickets in the space of ten balls.

Pakistan, who began the day at 238 for two, declared their second innings at lunch on 318 for four after Saeed Anwar (136) had accumulated an impressive century.

Wasim and Waqar Younis then accounted for the first three Sri Lanka wickets in their opening spells, Wasim making the breakthrough when Sanath Jayasuriya, who had scored the only run on the board, fell to a magnificent diving catch by the wicket-keeper, Rashid Latif.

Waqar claimed the wicket of Asanka Gurusinha, who has been struggling to find form, for eight when the batsman was caught off the inside edge by Asif Mujtaba at short leg, and then dismissed Aravinda de Silva, who had scored a century in the first innings, for five.

Wasim took four of the last five wickets to fall, after the tea interval, leaving Sri Lanka with a daunting task to overhaul Pakistan's series lead in the remaining two matches.

Cork makes all-round impact at Eastbourne

DERBYSHIRE, intent on finishing with some prize-money in the AXA Equity & Law Sunday League, were buoyed yesterday by an excellent seven-wicket victory over Sussex at Eastbourne. Needing to make only 153 to win, they achieved this with five overs to spare (Ivo Tennant writes).

It was Dominic Cork who brought this about, opening the innings and making 66 off 68 balls with seven fours and a six. Nobody doubts his ability, least of all he himself. Given a degree of luck with injuries, he can yet become a match winning England all-rounder in all forms of the game.

His was not the only decisive innings yesterday. Kent, still smarting at their defeat by Warwickshire in another one-day competition last week, owed much to Hooper, who made 77, and Fleming, who struck 68. This enabled them to beat Durham by 68 runs.

A brilliant innings of 91 by Ward enabled Surrey to beat Essex at Colchester. Gooch, testing his damaged hamstring, made 63, an innings that will have been noted by England's chairman of selectors, and Hussain 61, but it was not enough.

At Bristol, Wright, Gloucestershire's former captain, and two of their talented young players whom he has encouraged, Windows and Hancock, made sufficient runs to beat Northamptonshire. Curran, back on his old ground, had a hand in taking the two wickets to fall, but in spite of Walton's 72, Northamptonshire did not excel.

YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

AXA Equity & Law League

Sussex v Derbyshire

EASTBOURNE (Derbyshire won toss) Derbyshire (4pts) beat Sussex by seven wickets

SUSSEX

D M Smith c Krikken b Warner	10
C C Remy c Barnett b Warner	14
M P Speight c Barnett b Base	7
K Greenfield b Cork	5
C W J Athey not out	58
*A P Wells b Malcolm	24
J A North lbw b Malcolm	0
†P Moores not out	12
Extras (b 4, lb 5, w 9, nb 4)	22
Total (6 wkts, 40 overs)	152

A D Edwards, J Lewry and N C Phillips did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS 1-26, 2-29, 3-38, 4-48, 5-102, 6-102

BOWLING DeFreitas 8-1-27-0; Warner 8-0-40-2; Base 8-1-38-1, Cork 8-0-18-1, Malcolm 8-1-20-2

DERBYSHIRE

P D Bowler c Moores b Remy	16
D G Cork run out	66
C J Adams c Remy b Phillips	22
T J G O'Gorman not out	28
*K J Barnett not out	10
Extras (lb 3, w 9, nb 2)	14
Total (3 wkts, 34.4 overs)	158

A S Rollins, P A J DeFreitas, †K M Krikken, A E Warner, S J Base and D E Malcolm did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS 1-62, 2-105, 3-124

BOWLING Edwards 5-1-24-0, Lewry 4-0-22-0; Remy 3-0-22-1; Athey 4 4-0-22-0, Phillips 10-0-37-1, North 8-1-26-0

Umpires J C Balderstone and G I Burgess

Yorkshire v Lancashire

HEADINGLEY (Yorkshire won toss) Lancashire (4pts) beat Yorkshire by 43 runs

LANCASHIRE

M A Atherton b Stemp	38
J E R Gallian b Stemp	29
N J Speak run out	5
N H Fairbrother not out	58
G D Lloyd run out	14
*M Watkinson c and b Grayson	3
I D Austin lbw b Hartley	9
†W K Hegg not out	18
Extras (lb 4, w 5)	9
Total (6 wkts, 40 overs)	183

P J Martin, G Yates and G Chapple did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-63, 2-70, 3-84, 4-131, 5-140, 6-153

BOWLING Hartley 7-1-26-1, Gough 8-0-37-0, Foster 3-0-17-0, Robinson 8-0-30-0; Stemp 8-0-30-2, Grayson 8-0-39-1

YORKSHIRE

*M D Moxon lbw b Chapple	10
D Byas c Hegg b Martin	0
†R J Blakey lbw b Austin	10
B Parker c Atherton b Austin	4
A P Grayson lbw b Yates	14
A A Metcalfe not out	65
M J Foster b Yates	6
P J Hartley c Watkinson b Chapple	12
D Gough c Austin b Martin	9
R D Stemp b Martin	2
M A Robinson not out	0
Extras (lb 6, w 2)	8
Total (9 wkts, 40 overs)	140

FALL OF WICKETS 1-10, 2-12, 3-25, 4-33, 5-71, 6-81, 7-111, 8-133, 9-140.

BOWLING Chapple 8-2-20-2, Martin 8-4-10-3, Austin 8-0-30-2, Yates 8-0-30-2, Watkinson 8-0-44-0

Umpires A G T Whitehead and G Sharp.

Middlesex v Somerset

LORD'S (Somerset won toss) Middlesex (4pts) beat Somerset by eight wickets

SOMERSET

I Fletcher c Carr b Shine	4
*A N Hayhurst c Brown b Weekes	49
P C L Holloway c Weekes b Tufnell	29
M N Lathwell run out	2
S C Ecclestone c Ramprakash b Tufnell	22
V P Clarke c Ramprakash b Tufnell	0
†R J Turner not out	29
J C Hallen run out	16
J I D Kerr not out	1
Extras (lb 5, w 2)	7
Total (7 wkts, 40 overs)	159

H R J Trump and P J Bird did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS 1-21, 2-71, 3-79, 4-106, 5-106, 6-111, 7-150

BOWLING Fraser 7-2-15-0, Shine 8-1-26-1, Feltham 5-0-15-0, Tufnell 8-3-28-3, Weekes 8-0-46-1, Ramprakash 4-0-21-0

MIDDLESEX

M A Roseberry, D R Haynes, J C Pooley, D Haynes, M R Ramprakash not out, J D Carr not out	55
Extras (lb 2, w 3)	5
Total (2 wkts, 34.5 overs)	167

*M W Gatting, †K R Brown, P N Weekes, M A Feltham, A R C Fraser, K J Shine and P C R Tufnell did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS 1-112, 2-119

BOWLING Bird 8-1-25-0, Kerr 4-0-23-0, Trump 7.5-0-32-0; Ecclestone 3-0-20-0 Hallett 7-0-40-2 Clarke 5-0-19-0

Umpires R A White and P B Wight

Gloucestershire v Northamptonshire

BRISTOL (Gloucestershire won toss) Gloucestershire (4pts) beat Northamptonshire by eight wickets

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

A Fordham b Williams	6
M B Love c and b Williams	6
†R J Warren c Russell b Babington	0
K M Curran lbw b Babington	7
T C Walton c Hancock b Alleyne	72
R J Bailey b Babington	2
A L Penberthy run out	15
*A J Lamb b Williams	19
J G Hughes b Ball	9
N G B Cook not out	8
J P Taylor b Ball	1
Extras (b 2, lb 2, w 5, nb 4)	13
Total (39.5 overs)	159

FALL OF WICKETS 1-9, 2-10, 3-18, 4-33, 5-35, 6-77, 7-119, 8-149, 9-151

BOWLING Babington 8-2-9-3 Williams 8-0-33-3; Davies 4-0-19-0, Alleyne 8-0-48-1, Ball 7 5-0-25-2, Hancock 4-0-20-0.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

A J Wright not out	61
M G N Windows c Curran b Cook	41
T H C Hancock b Curran	37
M W Alleyne not out	7
Extras (lb 2, w 10, nb 4)	16
Total (2 wkts, 37 overs)	162

R I Dawson, *†R C Russell, R C Williams, M C J Ball, S G Hinks, M Davies and A M Babington did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS 1-84, 2-135.

BOWLING Hughes 6-0-27-0; Curran 8-0-32-1; Taylor 5-0-25-0, Penberthy 5-0-17-0, Cook 8-0-28-1, Walton 2-0-14-0, Bailey 3-0-17-0

Umpires J H Hampshire and N T Plews.

Leicestershire v Worcestershire

LEICESTER (Worcestershire won toss) Worcestershire (4pts) beat Leicestershire by two runs

WORCESTERSHIRE

T M Moody lbw b Parsons	16
*T S Curtis c Maddy b Hepworth	52
G A Hick c Stanger b Hepworth	65
G R Haynes c Smith b Hepworth	10
D A Leatherdale c Robinson b Stanger	2
D B D'Oliveira b Hepworth	9
†S J Rhodes lbw b Hepworth	9
S R Lampitt c Maddy b Pierson	16
N V Radford not out	5
R K Illingworth not out	0
Extras (lb 10, lb 7, w 2)	19
Total (8 wkts, 40 overs)	203

P J Newport did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS 1-26, 2-125, 3-143, 4-151 5-161, 6-174, 7-184, 8-199

BOWLING Parsons 8-0-24-1, Stanger 7-0-42-1 Wells 5-0-22-0, Pierson 7-0-28-1, Simmons 5-0-19-0 Hepworth 8-0-51-5

LEICESTERSHIRE

*P V Simmons c Rhodes b Moody	11
D L Maddy b Illingworth	53
V J Wells c Rhodes b Moody	0
B F Smith c Radford b Lampitt	56
P E Robinson c D'Oliveira b Lampitt	7
†P A Nixon c Haynes b Lampitt	3
P N Hepworth run out	32
J M Dakin b Lampitt	8
G J Parsons not out	25
A R K Pierson c Haynes b Newport	0
Extras (lb 2, w 3)	5
Total (9 wkts, 40 overs)	201

I M Stanger did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS 1-13, 2-14, 3-93, 4-108 5-116, 6-136, 7-151, 8-201, 9-201

BOWLING Moody 8-0-52-2, Newport 5-0-27-1, Hick 5-0-44-0, Radford 6-0-34-0, Illingworth 3-1-17-1, Lampitt 8-1-26-4

Umpires J D Bond and B J Meyer

Warwicks v Notts

EDGBASTON (Nottinghamshire won toss) Warwickshire (4pts) beat Nottinghamshire by 72 runs

WARWICKSHIRE

D P Ostler c Crawley b Adams	58
N M K Smith run out	38
B C Lara b Chapman	75
R G Twose c Field-Buss b Lewis	44
P A Smith b Mike	15
*D A Reeve c Lewis b Crawley	29
T L Penney not out	7
†K J Piper not out	0
Extras (lb 8, lb 6, w 12, nb 6)	32
Total (6 wkts, 40 overs)	294

R P Davis, G C Small and T A Munton did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS 1-92, 2-105, 3-226, 4-245, 5-274, 6-288

BOWLING Mike 6-0-50-1, Lewis 8-0-56-1; Field-Buss 5-0-51-0, Adams 8-1-35-1, Chapman 8-0-39-1; Crawley 5-0-49-1

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

P R Pollard c Piper b Reeve	2
*R T Robinson st Piper b N M K Smith	76
J C Adams c N M K Smith b Reeve	9
P Johnson c Piper b Small	45
C C Lewis c P A Smith b Davis	3
G F Archer run out	7
M A Crawley c Davis b N M K Smith	36
†W M Noon lbw b P A Smith	2
G W Mike not out	29
M G Field-Buss c Small b N M K Smith	3
R J Chapman not out	2
Extras (lb 3, w 4)	7
Total (9 wkts, 40 overs)	222

FALL OF WICKETS 1-14, 2-35, 3-108, 4-117, 5-134, 6-182, 7-185, 8-191, 9-200

BOWLING Reeve 6-0-22-2, Munton 8-0-36-0, Davis 8-0-44-1; Small 4-0-33-1, N M K Smith 8-0-47-3, P A Smith 6-0-37-1

Umpires V A Holder and B Leadbeater

Kent v Durham

CANTERBURY (Durham won toss) Kent (4pts) beat Durham by 68 runs

KENT

T R Ward b Cummins	10
M V Fleming c Walker b Graveney	68
C L Hooper c Birbeck b Cummins	77
M J Walker st Scott b Graveney	20
G R Cowdrey c Morris b Graveney	13
M A Ealham c Scott b Walker	13
N J Llong not out	31
S A Marsh not out	7
Extras (b 4, lb 11, w 4, nb 6)	25
Total (6 wkts, 40 overs)	264

M J McCague, M M Patel and T N Wren did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-168, 3-193, 4-209, 5-209, 6-243

BOWLING Cummins 8-0-56-2; Walker 8-0-43-1, Birbeck 8-0-43-0, Graveney 8-1-49-3; Bainbridge 8-0-58-0.

DURHAM

J I Longley b McCague	20
M Saxelby b Ealham	1
J E Morris b Ealham	0
J A Daley not out	88
S Hutton lbw b McCague	0
A C Cummins c Marsh b McCague	18
†C W Scott c Marsh b Patel	18
S D Birbeck c Walker b Llong	9
A Walker c Ward b Llong	6
*P Bainbridge not out	9
Extras (lb 10, w 7)	17
Total (8 wkts, 40 overs)	198

D A Graveney did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS 1-5, 2-5, 3-51, 4-51, 5-77, 6-105, 7-167, 8-177

BOWLING Wren 5-0-15-0, Ealham 8-0-52-2, McCague 5-0-20-3, Patel 8-0-25-1, Hooper 7-0-37-0, Fleming 3-0-12-0 Llong 4-0-25-2

Umpires B Dudleston and J W Holder

Essex v Surrey

COLCHESTER (Surrey won toss) Surrey (4pts) beat Essex by six wickets

ESSEX

*G A Gooch c Ward b Boiling	63
J P Stephenson c Bicknell b Kenlock	16
N Hussain c Smith b Bicknell	61
N V Knight b Kenlock	23
R C Irani lbw b Bicknell	11
J J B Lewis not out	18
†R J Rollins not out	9
Extras (lb 1, lb 5, w 4, nb 6)	16
Total (5 wkts, 38 overs)	217

P M Such, M S Kasprowicz, M C Ilott and D M Cousins did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS 1-51, 2-107, 3-166, 4-185, 5-189

BOWLING Bicknell 7-1-30-2, Pigott 5-0-52-0, Kenlock 8-0-44-2, Holloake 4-0-24-0 Boiling 6-0-38-1, Butcher 5-0-32-0

SURREY

*A J Stewart c Rollins b Cousins	41
A D Brown c Irani b Kasprowicz	11
G P Thorpe b Stephenson	5
D M Ward c Rollins b Stephenson	91
A J Hollioake not out	45
A W Smith not out	6
Extras (b 2, lb 4, w 4)	10
Total (4 wkts, 37.1 overs)	219

M A Butcher, A D R Pigott, †P R Brown, J E Boiling and S G Butcher did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS 1-25, 2-49, 3-82, 4-197

BOWLING Kasprowicz 7-1-39-1, Stephenson 7-1-26-2, Such 8-0-42-0, Cousins 7-0-43-1

Umpires A A Jones and H D Bird

Tetley Bitter Challenge

Glamorgan v South Africans

PONTYPRIDD (second day of three) Glamorgan won toss). Glamorgan, with six second-innings wickets in hand, are 129 runs ahead of the South Africans

GLAMORGAN: First Innings

S P James c Kirsten b Snell	15
A Dale c Hudson b Matthews	16
D L Hemp c Rhodes b Cronje	126
*M P Maynard c Cullinan b Symcox	11
P A Cottey c Wessels b Cronje	34
A J Dalton not out	51
C D Gibson not out	16
Extras (b 9, lb 10, w 11)	20
Total (5 wkts dec, 103.1 overs)	337

R D B Croft, †A D Shaw, S L Watkin and O T Parkin did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS 1-23, 2-39, 3-72, 4-213, 5-309

BOWLING Matthews 15-0-94-1, Snell 18-3-59-1; Shaw 21-5-49-0, Symcox 32 1-11-63-1, Cronje 17-2-53-2

Second Innings

S P James c Richardson b Matthews	0
A Dale c Symcox b Snell	24
D L Hemp c Richardson b Symcox	16
*M P Maynard not out	30
S L Watkin lbw b Matthews	0
P A Cottey not out	6
Extras (b 2, lb 2)	4
Total (4 wkts)	80

FALL OF WICKETS 1-0, 2-36, 3-51, 4-58

BOWLING Matthews 7-0-41-2, Snell 4-0-19-1, Symcox 4-1-16-1, Shaw 2-2-0-0

SOUTH AFRICANS: First Innings

A C Hudson c Shaw b Gibson	4
G Kirsten c Shaw b Watkin	0
R P Snell c James b Croft	94
W J Cronje st Maynard b Croft	78
*K C Wessels not out	45
D J Cullinan c Croft b Parkin	17
J N Rhodes c Cottey b Parkin	37
†D J Richardson not out	7
Extras (b 1, lb 4, w 1)	6
Total (6 wkts dec, 86 overs)	288

P L Symcox, C R Matthews and T G Shaw did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS 1-4, 2-4, 3-175, 4-192, 5-228, 6-272

BOWLING Gibson 12-4-46-1; Watkin 16-2-60-1, Parkin 20-2-56-2, Croft 34-6-102-2 Dale 4-0-19-0

Umpires D J Constant and M J Kitchen

Other match

England Under 19 v India Under 19

TAUNTON (final day of four) India Under 19 beat England Under 19 by nine wickets

INDIA UNDER 19: First Innings 430 (V V S Laxman 119, A Sharma 105, *P Dharmani 84)

Second Innings

J Singh not out	61
J Arun Comah c Vaughan b Keedy	38
A Muzumdar not out	55
Extras (b 5, lb 1, nb 4)	10
Total (1 wkt)	162

FALL OF WICKET 1-62

BOWLING Silverwood 6-0-32-0 Betts 4-0-25-0, Lucas 10-2-33-0, Keedy 13-6-20-1, Morris 4-0-13-0, Innes 6.2-0-30-0

ENGLAND UNDER 19: First Innings 179 (C Morris 52, K J Innes 50, I Siddiqui 5 for 75)

Second Innings

M E Trescothick b Balaji Rao	72
*M P Vaughan b Siddiqui	162
A McGrath lbw b Balaji Rao	3
C Schofield c Singh b Siddiqui	30
A C Morris c Muzumdar b Sait	6
K J Innes c Dharmani b Sait	1
†I N Derwood low b Finian	36
C E W Silverwood b Siddiqui	15
M M Betts not out	5
G Keedy, c Finian b Siddiqui	0
S Lucas(an b Balaji Rao	0
Extras (b 4, lb 6, w 6, nb 2)	18
Total	411

FALL OF WICKETS 1-112, 2-132, 3-332, 4-344, 5-348, 6-356, 7-394, 8-410, 9-410

BOWLING Siddiqui 21-3-58-4, Sait 15-1-46-2, Sanghvi 27-7-86-0, Sharma 8-0-46-0 Balaji Rao 34-7-99-3, Laxman 7-2-22-0 Finian 18-2-44-1

Umpires J H Harris and P Gunn

Schumacher refuels Benetton's charge

FROM OLIVER HOLT IN BUDAPEST

FROM the depths of despair to the heights of joy, the Benetton team and Michael Schumacher explored the extremes of motor racing emotion here this weekend. All frowns and scowls when he arrived four days ago under another cloud of controversy, Schumacher danced away from the track surrounded by supporters yesterday after he had dragged the team off its knees.

He won a gruelling Hungarian Grand Prix by more than 20 seconds from Damon Hill, in a Williams-Renault, and then bounded from his car to hug his team-mate, Jos Verstappen, who finished third. All thoughts of black flags, launch-control systems and absent filters in refuelling rigs disappeared in a sea of German flags and celebration.

Benetton did it the brave way, too, choosing a race strategy that relied on an extra refuelling stop despite the memories of the pit-lane fire



Schumacher: brave win

that engulfed Verstappen's car during the German Grand Prix a fortnight ago and another spill when they tested modified equipment at the track on Saturday night.

Schumacher's Benetton-Ford was the first car to stop to refuel and the pit lane held its breath as his crew rammed the fuel hose into the tank. But the stop went smoothly and, if the strategy did nothing for the nerves of the team, it laid the foundations for the German's seventh win of the season. He is now 31 points ahead of Hill in the race for the Formula One drivers' championship.

"The only way anybody can stop Benetton winning the world championship is if they stop Michael Schumacher," Flavio Briatore, the team's managing director, said. "That is not going to be easy. Everyone thinks that what has happened to us recently has ruined us as a team but it has had the opposite effect."

Schumacher said: "I would not say it was my most satisfying win, but it was certainly the most important. It lifts a lot of the pressure we have been under because of all the politics that have been going on."

Schumacher, starting from pole position, appeared to have lost the lead going into the first corner as Hill edged ahead. But he held the outside line and dived in front of his rival as they plunged down the incline at the end of the straight to emerge in the lead. Apart from a brief period after his first pit-stop, he was never headed again.

Martin Brundle, who drove superbly all weekend in his McLaren-Peugeot, was deprived of third place when his car was crippled by electrical problems almost within sight of the chequered flag, but still finished fourth. David Coulthard, Hill's team-mate, lost the chance of an easy podium finish when he spun out late in the race.

Hill, who must hope that the two-race ban imposed on Schumacher for ignoring a black flag during the British Grand Prix is upheld when the German's appeal is heard at the end of this month, was hampered by obstinate back markers. "I thought I would be within striking distance of Schumacher when the pit-stop stagger worked itself out," Hill said. "But I could not understand how I had lost so much time when it came to the crunch. It must have disappeared when I got stuck in traffic. It seemed to vaporise. At this stage of the championship, you cannot afford to give anything away and Michael has pulled away again now."

The result capped a morale-boosting weekend for Benetton, who were also cheered by the results of an inquiry they commissioned into the cause of the Hockenheim fire. It found the most likely cause of the incident was not the absence of a filter in the nozzle but a faulty part in the refuelling valve. They still face sanction for removing the valve, although they say the International Motor Sport Federation (FIA) gave them permission to do it.

"The things we have been accused of recently have been unbelievable and very damaging," Briatore said. "There is a lot of jealousy because nobody expected us to be so strong this season.

"I am meeting with Luciano Benetton, the head of the family this week, and we will decide what action to take then. I hope now we can put it all behind us."

HUNGARORING DETAILS

RESULT: 1, M Schumacher (Ger) Benetton 1hr 48min 00 185sec; 2, D Hill (GB) Williams, at 20 827sec; 3, J Verstappen (Ho) Benetton, 1min 10 339sec; 4, M Brundle (GB) McLaren, 1 12 697; 5 M Blundell (GB) Tyrrell 1 lap; 6, C Pans (Fr) Ligier, 1 lap; 7, M Alboreto (It) Minardi, 2 laps; 8, E Comas (Fr) Larrousse, 2 laps; 9, O Beretta (Fr) Larrousse, 2 laps; 10 E Bernard (Fr) Ligier, 2 laps; 11, D Brabham (Aus) Simtek, 2 laps; 12, G Berger (Austria) Ferrari, 4 laps; 13, A Zanardi (It) Lotus, 5 laps; 14 C Fittipaldi (Br) Footwork, 8 laps

CHAMPIONSHIP POSITIONS (after ten races) Drivers: 1, Schumacher 76pts; 2, Hill (GB) 45; 3, Berger 27; 4, J Alesi (Fr) 19; 5, R Barrichello (Br) 10; 6 Brundle 9; 7 M Hakkinen (Fin) 8; 8, Panis 7, equal 9, N Lanni (It), Fittipaldi, Blundell 6, equal 12, H-H Frentzen (Ger), U Katayama (Japan) 5, equal 14, K Wendlinger (Austria), A de Cesaris (It), P Martini (It), D Coulthard (GB), Bernard, Verstappen, 4, equal 20, Comas, G Morbidelli (It) 2, equal 22, Alboreto, E Irvine (GB), J-J Lehto (Fin) 1 Constructors: 1, Benetton 81pts; 2, Ferrari 52; 3, Williams 49; 4, McLaren 17; 5, Jordan, 14; equal 6, Ligier, Tyrrell 11; 8, Sauber 10; 9, Footwork 8; 10, Minardi 5; 11, Larrousse 3

REMAINING GRANDS PRIX Aug 28: Belgian Spa Francorchamps Sep 11: Italian, Monza 25: Portuguese, Estoril Oct 16: European, Jerez, Spain Nov 6: Japanese, Suzuka 13: Australian, Adelaide

Television catches the eye with one that got away

Brian Clarke sees past the hype of Barry Hearn and says *Fish o'Mania* merely scratched the surface of angling reality

I had said that I would not watch it, but, of course, I did. Barry Hearn's *Fish o'Mania*, the angling jamboree televised live for six hours on Saturday, promised to have about it the same kinds of qualities as *Star Trek*, or *Brookside*, or a gap in the gum from which a tooth has recently been extracted. It promised a depth of awfulness that had to be explored to be believed.

But, of course, I would have felt that way.

All those goings-on that the sporting entrepreneur organised at Mallory Park, near Leicester, were not aimed at folks like me. I belong to the great majority: to the folk who love the sport for the quiet pleasures it has given them. We are the kind of people who can somehow sense — by what ether I know not — that funfairs and beer tents, ice-cream stalls and candy-floss stands, bookmakers called "Harry the Fish" and escapologists who try death-defying stunts, might not fit in easily with our waterside idylls. We are the sort of folk who would feel the promise of Chris Eubank doing a bungee jump to start it all was somehow less than Waltonian.

But still, Hearn had said that after his successes with snooker and boxing, all he wanted to do was to turn angling into a televised sport and that a bankside circus was definitely the way to do it.

And so from 11.30am until 5.30pm, I stayed with it: six hours of live coverage of the £25,000, winner-takes-all fishing match that Romford's Mr Hype had organised as his entry to the sport's "sleeping giant".

Well, I say stayed with it. That is, apart from 1.15pm to 1.45pm, when I fell asleep. And from around 3.30pm until 4pm, when I fell asleep again. Oh, yes — and except for the few minutes when I flirted with that Urdu play on Channel 4.

Through it all, amid all the hype and razzmatazz at the waterside and the well-known talking heads that kept popping up on the Sky Sports screen, 16 anglers who had fought their way through eight specially staged eliminators sat side by side, trying to land the biggest prize British match fishing had seen. The show did not get off to a great start because Eubank did not turn up to do that bungee jump, after all. Suzanne Dando, the programme's omnipresent presenter, told us that poor Eubank had "got a cold". Or just possibly, she bravely suggested, "cold feet".

For all that disappointment, the match got away on time. Match fishing has been televised before, but never live and never on this scale. And, in truth, for all my own antipathy to the event, Sky did an extraordinary job.

I know that you cannot show the real absorptions of angling in a stunt like this because competitive angling is miles removed from fishing as most ordinary fishermen know it, and because the cameras cannot take the viewer inside the angler's head. But still, the producers went a long way towards showing this narrow, competitive interest from the outside.

Cameras zoomed, faces grimaced, fish steadily trundled in towards outstretched nets. The telegenic Dando popped up with interviews and profiles, experts talked the layman through tackle and technique, there were pre-filmed expositions.

The most important contributions of the day, though, came from none of these. For all the faces that popped up while Dickie Carr, the former England international, saw his early lead with carp gradually whittled away; and for all Andy Little's commentary while Ian Turner was gradually accumulating a netful of bream, it was Roy Marlow and Ivan Marks who shone.

They alone — Marlow, who manages the water, and Marks, who fishes it regularly — got the content right. While everyone else concentrated on what was happening around the water and on it, these two, whenever they appeared, talked about what was probably happening under it. It was only through Marlow and Marks that the lay viewer could get some glimpse of the sophistication of angling minds at work.

Thanks to the selectivity of the cameras and their zoomed-in concentration on the leaders that gradually emerged, attention of a kind was manufactured, as Hearn had promised it would be. But there were few signs of pleasure.

The tension was not about the possibility of someone catching or landing a fish. It focused, because it was in the nature of the event, exclusively on who might beat the next man down and on the chances of Mr X winning the £25,000 prize.

In the end, Ian Turner won. Sky Sport's professionalism won. Hearn, when the pound notes and viewers are totted up, may have won. But the fish, which in all competitive fishing are reduced merely to small change on the way to victory or defeat, lost. They lost individual meaning and individual dignity. And, in that very real sense, angling lost, too.

GAETAN COTTON


Steve Last nets a 5kg carp during the *Fish o'Mania* television extravaganza

S Africa seeks viable alternative to Luyt

BY DAVID HANDS
RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

LOUIS Luyt, the millionaire businessman who has made himself the most powerful figure in South African rugby, announced on Saturday his resignation as president of the South African Rugby Football Union (Sarfu). Whether he will retreat to his Transvaal power base, however, remains to be confirmed.

Luyt's surprise decision comes after a week rare even in the turbulent history of his country's rugby. He was taken aback by the extent of opposition he encountered before and during the emergency meeting of the Sarfu executive committee last Wednesday, which was to decide the future of the national team management and resulted in a vote of confidence for Jannie Engelbrecht, the team manager.

Now Luyt, 62 and president since last March, has thrown down a gauntlet. In effect, his announcement says: "You may not like me, but can you do without me?" Were Luyt to go, the same void would be left that was filled for too long by Danie Craven, with no obvious incumbent ready to take over. At the same time, world observers may wonder how it will affect the World Cup in South Africa next year.

He is chairman of his country's World Cup organising committee, but Rugby World Cup (RWC) has its own appointments in place. Nic Labuschagne, RWC's South African director, said yesterday: "It won't affect the running of the World Cup one iota. All the structures are in place and running very satisfactorily."

Nevertheless, Riaan Oberholtzer, the general manager of the Ellis Park Stadium in Johannesburg and Luyt's son-in-law, is a vital cog in the World Cup machine, and members of the Transvaal staff have been seconded to World Cup duties. Should Luyt, as Transvaal president, choose to make matters uncomfortable for the tournament, he could do so. Last week, Luyt was described — by Engelbrecht — as tyrannical, and South African rugby as the laughing-stock of the world. Yet he is one of the few administrative achievers in the South African game.

Supreme Court judges have criticised Luyt in newspapers, there has been a bomb threat and there was a demonstration outside the Cape Town office of Sarfu. He has fallen out with international administrators. In January, he clashed with the RWC directors, England ended their summer tour to South Africa incensed at his attitude and New Zealand failed to invite him on the South African tour of their country (he turned up anyway), a legacy of the incident in 1992 when South Africa returned to international competition against the All Blacks in Johannesburg to the defiant strains of the Afrikaner anthem, *Die Stem*.

The abrasive Luyt quit national administration in 1990 and returned more influential than ever. His resignation is due to be debated by an executive meeting on Friday, when it will be seen whether South Africa can offer a viable alternative or whether they must ask Luyt to reconsider.

Obree feeling sore at saddle rejection

AFTER five rejections by officials of saddles he wanted to use on his home-made machine for his defence of his 4,000 metres pursuit title in Sicily today, the Scottish cyclist, Graeme Obree, was rescued by Giovanni Pirico, a local driver, who offered the saddle from his ten-year-old son's mountain bike, which passed the scrutineers.

Obree's new saddle, which he describes as "like a toadstool" and enables him to operate in the "tuck" position, was banned because it is not commercialy available. All the other saddles, cut down versions of conventional ones, were thrown out because alterations are not allowed.

"It's obvious that they [officials of the Union Cycliste Internationale] are just trying to outlaw the Obree position," the Scot said. Not being able to ride in his normal style would be a serious handicap to Obree, who is already facing a strong challenge from the Olympic champion, Chris Boardman, on his carbon-fibre Lotus.

Winkelhock sets pace

MOTOR SPORT: Joachim Winkelhock, driving a BMW, dominated the fifteenth round of the Auto Trader British touring-car championship — the Gold Cup race at Oulton Park, Cheshire — the German driver claiming victory from Alain Menu, of Switzerland, and the Italians, Gabriele Tarquini, Giampiero Simoni and Roberto Ravaglia (Stephen Slater writes).

Winkelhock, the champion, took the lead at the green light with Simoni in the Alfa Romeo making a storming start to force his way into second place ahead of John Cleland, who survived a spectacular crash on the opening lap after being nudged by the Toyota of Julian Bailey and the Volvo of Ricard Rydell at the exit of the 100mph Druids Corner. Tim Harvey, sixth, was the leading British driver.

Davis wins in Austria

GOLF: Mark Davis, 30, from Essex, produced a storming finish to a course-record round of 64, eight under par, to win the Austrian Open for the second time in four years at Haugschlag yesterday. Davis, who finished with an aggregate of 270, won £41,660 after starting his final round four shots behind the overnight leader, Philip Walton. He was still two adrift with five to play but followed birdies at the 14th and 15th with an eagle three at the 16th, where he struck a three-wood to three feet. Walton, needing a birdie three at the last for victory, hit his tee shot out of bounds.

Egypt triumph again

SQUASH: Egypt completed its domination of the world junior men's championships in Christchurch, New Zealand, on Saturday by defeating England 3-0 to add the team title to the individual triumph a week earlier. In the final, Ahmed Barada, the new world junior champion, defeated Chris Tomlinson, of England, 9-2, 9-3, 4-9, 9-7 in 53 minutes to secure the title after El Borollossy had beaten Iain Higgins 9-5, 9-0, 3-9, 9-3. Ahmed Fayzi, 15, fought back from two games down against Marcus Cowie at third string to win 2-9, 7-9, 9-6, 9-6, 9-2 in 74 minutes.

Beaufort savour success

POLO: The Pony Club championships, which began in mid-July with 82 entries, ended yesterday with the deciding matches at Cowdray Park, Sussex. After a ride-past by the teams, Ashford Valley won the Handley Cross (under-14) final, beating Enfield Chace 4-2. Goodwood carried off the Lorimer Cup (under-16) with a 5-3 victory against Cowdray Park. The Hampshire won the Rendell (under-18), defeating the Vale of Aylesbury on a run-down, and Beaufort ran out winners of the Gannon (under-21), triumphing 9-6½ against the VWH to win the Daily Telegraph trophy.

Becker warning

TENNIS: Boris Becker was yesterday told to be available for Germany's Davis Cup semi-final against Russia next month by the team's non-playing captain, Niki Pilic. "If Becker does not play against Russia, he will not play in the final, either," Pilic said. Becker has said he would like to play for the team in the final, but not against Russia in Hamburg from September 23 to 25.

☐ Pete Sampras yesterday withdrew from the RCA championships in Indianapolis, which start today, because of continuing problems with tendinitis in his left ankle.

Police move quickly

YACHTING: After a day of fair winds off the Outer Hebrides, Simon Rodgers's remarkable Whitbread 30 prototype design, *Sticky Fingers*, was again leading the Teesside British Isles Race last night. The 15-strong fleet had sharks to contend with over the weekend. They were spotted after the Essex Police crew sailing *Brighton Barracuda* chose to take a dip off Barra Head. According to the skipper, Richard Houghton, the bathers all climbed back onboard somewhat faster than they had gone into the water.

Holders face expulsion

ATHLETICS: Haringey, the Guardian Men's Gold Cup holders, face a ban from the finals this year after the positive drugs test on their leading sprinter, Solomon Wariso, who was withdrawn from Britain's European championships team last week. He helped Haringey to win their semi-final at Enfield on July 31, four weeks after testing positive for the stimulant, ephedrine, at Gateshead. If the Enfield match were rescored omitting Wariso, Haringey would finish third behind Blackheath and Cardiff.

Bowe lucky to escape disqualification

FROM SRIKUMAR SEN
BOXING CORRESPONDENT
IN ATLANTIC CITY

RIDDICK Bowe and his manager, Rock Newman, were given the fright of their lives when Bowe narrowly escaped disqualification for a late punch in his heavyweight bout with Buster Mathis Jr here on Saturday. A defeat might have put Bowe's $31 million (around £20.5 million) bout with Lennox Lewis in December or March at risk, for their contract states both boxers must remain unbeaten.

The decision would have been a relief to Lewis as well, as the contract could give him the means to turn the $31 million package, split 18 to 13 in his favour, into one of $60 million through return matches. If Lewis loses, he is guaranteed a return on a 40-60 per cent shareout of the purse; if he wins, even though he would not be obliged to give Bowe a second chance, he could cash in on the return if the public were to demand it.

No doubt, the managements of Lewis and Bowe would not have found it too difficult to get round a technicality if Bowe had been disqualified, but Newman was clearly relieved when the New Jersey Athletic Commission officials emerged from the chaos in the ring to announce that the bout was a no-contest.

Larry Hazard, the New Jersey commissioner, said that Bowe could have been disqualified, but the rules do not say that he has to be disqualified. "It was intentional, but done in the heat of the moment," Hazard said.

The blow was thrown well after Mathis had gone down on one knee in the fourth round to have a little rest after a furious exchange. Bowe unleashed a right hand that threw Mathis backwards and knocked him out for 40 seconds.

Brian Lee, Mathis's manager, said: "It was a deliberate foul. It's not the first time it's happened with Riddick Bowe. I respect the decision and a no-contest is better than a loss. But the situation of a deliberate foul still exists."

But Bowe blamed Mathis's tactics. "I could not see if he was down," Bowe said. "He was ducking low all night, so I hit him." Newman said that he would be happy to give Mathis a rematch, if possible


Bowe: below par

on the Lewis-Oliver McCall bill at Wembley on September 24.

The blow was not so much intentional as the result of Bowe's lack of ring sharpness. Bowe knew he needed the rounds after a long lay-off. He was in no danger of losing, clearly being in charge as Mathis was beginning to feel the effects of some solid uppercuts.

If Bowe had not as yet caught him cleanly, he would have in the next couple of rounds. Bowe was simply not quick enough mentally to realise the consequences of hitting a man when he is down.

Eddie Futch, his trainer, said: "It was his first fight in nine months, whereas he used to fight every six weeks. His showing was the result of inactivity. He was missing shots that he would not have missed ordinarily and his timing was not there." On this performance, if Bowe were to meet Lewis tomorrow there would be only one outcome, a Lewis victory — by a knock-out. Bowe was too often caught by Mathis's right hand, and you felt that Lewis too would have no trouble catching him.

It is now up to Lewis to decide when to get Bowe into the ring. Madison Square Garden can give him a December date, while Caesars Palace and MGM Grand in Las Vegas can accommodate him in March. As the Garden cannot match the $7 million site fee of the Las Vegas hotels and would also give Bowe home advantage, Frank Maloney, Lewis's manager, prefers to box in March.

However, Newman argued that a Garden bout would be far bigger than a Las Vegas one and the biggest event at the venue since Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier met there in 1971. He said there would be more than enough money from pay-per-view sales to offset any difference in site fees and there could be two American and two British officials.

Phelps out of medal chase

BY JOHN GOODBODY

THE title of world champion in modern pentathlon slipped away from Richard Phelps in Sheffield yesterday. Another vexing shoot and some indifferent performances, certainly when compared with his splendid effort last year, took the Briton out of contention for the individual medal. But, as he became less prominent, Greg Whyte, his team-mate, mounted a sustained challenge.

After the riding, the fourth of the five disciplines, Whyte was third behind two Hungarians, Lazlo Fabian, second last year, and Janos Martinek. Whyte was also leading Britain towards a medal in the team event, so sustaining the success the British team has enjoyed in international events.

Modern pentathlon, which now compresses five events into one day, has a frantic intensity. Competitors have to spend almost as much time deciding when to eat, when to rest and when to warm up as they do on concentrating on the competition.

As an exercise in personal organisation and discipline, the sport would now appeal even more to one soldier who came fifth in the first Olympic competition in 1912 after Baron de Coubertin, the founder of the modern Olympic Games, had introduced the event to the competitive programme.

That soldier recognised the value of modern pentathlon as an all-round physical and military training, saying that few men can do all the five sports "so I might do well". He was George Patton, later to become a leading American general in the Second World War.

In a competition, stretched over 12 hours yesterday, the athletes now have an even greater demand on their mental and physical stamina. None of the 32 finalists scored more than 182 (out of 200) in the air-pistol event, with Phelps scoring only 169, just one more than his qualifying performance on Friday.

In the fencing, Whyte, a reserve for the 1992 Olympic team, got on a roll of victories, celebrating each one by sinking to his knees and punching his fists in the air. It was engaging to see such an emotional reaction from someone with such an academic approach to sport — next term, he will begin lecturing at the University of Wolverhampton in exercise physiology.

He had 18 victories and, after his 3min 14sec swim on Friday, must have been expected to have been in the lead after three events. Whyte started quickly in the 300 metres freestyle, but slowed noticeably on the second 100 metres and eventually did 3min 18.65sec.

East Of The Moon routs challengers

From Our French Racing Correspondent at Deauville

EAST Of The Moon produced a brilliant performance to beat the British raiders Sayyedati and Mehthaaf as fillies dominated the finish of the group one Prix du Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard Jacques le Marois over the straight mile at Deauville yesterday.

Returned the 10-9 on favourite, East Of The Moon not only emulated her dam, Miesque, who won the race in 1987 and 1988, she also recorded a sixth victory in the last eight years for her trainer, Francois Boutin. Five of them have been for Stavros Niarchos, the sponsor of the race.

Fitzcarraldo and Matelot, the two Shaikh Mohammed-owned pacemakers, set a strong gallop, followed by Ski Paradise with Sayyedati and East Of The Moon held up towards the rear. Emperor Jones took up the running briefly with two furlongs to run, but Sayyedati was cantering behind him and East Of The Moon had also made smooth progress to track the leaders.

Sayyedati led 1½ furlongs out, but Cash Asmussen remained motionless aboard the winner. When he finally asked the question approaching the furlong marker, the response was immediate. East Of The Moon quickened superbly to win by 1½ lengths.

Mehthaaf ran creditably to take third without ever striking a blow at the leaders, while Barathea was prominent until weakening in the last two furlongs to finish sixth, just in front of Emperor Jones.

Boutin said: "She is not as robust as Miesque but might now try and avenge her mother's defeat in the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes, although the Moulin is an alternative. The target then will be the Breeders' Cup Mile and she'll be even better as a four-year-old."

Asmussen said: "Like Sayyedati, I was cantering two out, but when I came to challenge her I was still pulling double."

Walter Swinburn said: "I thought it was all over when I pressed the button 1½ furlongs out. I was dumbfounded when the other filly ranged alongside."

Clive Brittain added: "I knew that it would take a jet plane to beat us today and that's exactly what happened. The winner must be very good. Sayyedati's goal is the Breeders' Cup Mile."

John Dunlop, the trainer of Mehthaaf, said: "It was a clean race, nobody had any excuses. I'm pleased with my filly as she really needs it a bit softer. We might step her up in trip now and the Prix de l'Opera is a possibility."

At Deauville today, Opera Score, ridden by Pat Eddery, Just Happy (Walter Swinburn) and Torch Rouge (Willie Carson) are the British challengers for the eight-runner group two £34,325 Prix Guillaume d'Ornano.

☐ Ray Cochrane partners Shrewd Idea, soon to be transferred from Michael Kauntze to David Loder, in the group three Copa De Oro De San Sebastian this evening.

ED BYRNE



East Of The Moon, ridden by Asmussen, left, has too much finishing speed for Sayyedati in the Prix Jacques le Marois at Deauville

BIG-RACE RESULT

Going: good

PRIX DU HARAS DE FRESNAY-LE-BUFFARD JACQUES LE MAROIS (Group I £114,416: 1m str)

1, EAST OF THE MOON (C Asmussen). 2, Sayyedati (W R Swinburn). 3, Mehthaaf (W Carson). ALSO RAN: Signe Divin (4th), Ski Paradise (5th), Barathea (6th), Emperor Jones (7th), Fitzcarraldo (8th), Matelot. 9 ran. NR: Lunafairy. 1½l, 2½l, 2l, ¾l, 2l, 1½l, 20l, 6l. F Boutin. Pari-mutuel (inc 1fr stake): 1.90; 1.20, 1.80, 2.30. DF: 8.70.

Kinane gathers mounts to dominate Ebor fixture

By Richard Evans, racing correspondent

MICHAEL Kinane looks set to be crowned King of the Knavesmire this week after gaining a peerless book of rides at the three-day Ebor meeting which begins at York tomorrow.

The top European jockey, who was the leading rider at the Royal Ascot meeting, is no longer the "super sub" who steps in successfully for a spare ride in group races. He is now the man trainers and owners wants on their side at the big meetings — and backers should take the hint.

Kinane will partner King's Theatre, the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes winner, in tomorrow's Juddmonte International Stakes, for which he is favourite. Half an hour later he rides the Michael Stoute-trained Foyer, who is strongly fancied to win the Great Voltigeur Stakes.

On Wednesday, Kinane has been snapped up by the connections of Red Route, winner of the Geoffrey Freer Stakes at Newbury on Saturday, to partner Milly Ha Ha in the Yorkshire Oaks. The following day, racegoers will have the opportunity to see in action the team which landed the Melbourne Cup with Vintage Crop as Kinane rides Blazing Spectacle, trained by Dermot Weld, in the Tote Ebor Handicap. The Irish-trained runner has been the subject of a considerable ante-post gamble which sees him vying for favouritism.

In between the feature races, Kinane rides the promising Doubleton in the opening Acomb Stakes, Poltarf in the Lonsdale Stakes, Charnwood Forest, Henry Cecil's well regarded two-year-old, in the Convivial Stakes, as well as progressive handicappers such as Howard's End and Allez Cyrano. No wonder the bookmakers yesterday steered clear of offering odds on who will be top jockey at York.

Cecil is enjoying a marvellous high summer, which began with King's Theatre at Ascot, continued with Distant View in the Sussex Stakes and was reinforced by Red Route at Newbury. The progressive colt, bred and owned by Cliveden Stud, passed his St Leger test in style, quickening off a fast pace and having the race in safe keeping a quarter mile from home. He is now a leading fancy for the season's final classic with Sporting Index, the spread betting specialists, who offer: 3-1 Bolas, 7-2 Broadway Flyer and Red Route, 6-1 Midnight Legend, 10-1 Sacrament, 14-1 Strategic Choice, Double Trigger and Party Season, 16-1 others.

King's Theatre has delighted Cecil in his preparation for the International Stakes. "He's in very good form," he said yesterday. "I think he's better than ever. He seems to have improved since Ascot."

While the King George winner has an obvious favourite's chance, Milly Ha Ha takes a mighty step up in class as the winner of a Ripon maiden opposes Bolas, Barry Hills's Irish Oaks winner, in the Yorkshire Oaks. However, the Dancing Brave filly has impressed at home and arguably went better than Red Route when the pair worked together on the Newmarket gallops last week. "She travels well and has a turn of foot," Cecil added. The Warren Place trainer also runs State Crystal and believes Bolas is beatable although Hills reported his filly in top form yesterday.

Michael Stoute, who, with Cecil, is threatening John Dunlop's lead at the head of the trainers' table, has assembled a particularly strong team for the Ebor meeting and his runners, notably Foyer, Always Aloof and Raah Algarb, deserve the closest scrutiny.

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: KEMO SABO
(4.15 Hamilton Park)

Next best: Taufan's Melody
(3.30 Windsor)

Richard Evans completed a double with Red Route, his nap, and El Supremo on Saturday, and underlined the prospects of yesterday's Deauville winner East Of The Moon.

York's popularity lies in putting customers first

RICHARD EVANS

Racing commentary

Ascot is royal, Goodwood is glorious, but what is the most applicable epithet for York as the prestigious Ebor meeting prepares to get underway?

Ever since racing was first staged there in 1731 the crowds have flocked to the Knavesmire, even if the attractions on offer occasionally included the public execution of some miscreant who had made the mistake of being caught.

Today the gallows are a distant memory but York races have never been more popular, and deservedly so. This week's three day gathering is sometimes described as the Ascot of the North. That is unfair — to York.

I am not alone in believing that the racecourse's appeal transcends that of any other Flat venue in the country. The high standard of racing, the excellent viewing facilities and a grand racecourse all contribute to its success, but the secret lies with the people who run the Knavesmire.

It begins with the inevitably warm welcome extended by the gatemen and continues to where spectators have a snack or a drink. Unlike so many racecourses, whose caterers rip off spectators with their inflated prices, York offers value for money whether someone is celebrating a winner with champagne or just buying a cup of tea and a sandwich. York puts the customer first, and customers respond accordingly. With marketing of racing and attracting new racegoers assuming an increasing importance, it is a lesson several racecourses should heed.

Until relatively recently, Newmarket was one of the worst culprits when it came to the treatment of customers. Fortunately, the appointment of Peter Player as chairman has produced a much needed change in attitude. Player is determined to improve the lot of those who pass through the turnstiles and involve people much more closely with the racing.

His main problem is how to increase the appeal of the Rowley Mile racecourse which can resemble the Siberian steppes in spring and autumn when the Craven and Dewhurst meetings are staged. Among the ideas he floated was reviving the old Sefton course with a round racecourse in front of the stands, where spectators would enjoy improved viewing.

However, the chances of his plan coming to fruition look remote after a meeting with 30 of Newmarket's trainers who voiced their unanimous opposition. They are concerned about the potential damage that would be caused to gallops, including a much valued watered gallop, and believe the design and sharp nature of the proposed racecourse could be dangerous.

While their concerns are genuine, outsiders might wonder if it is not possible to re-site the treasured water strip elsewhere on the 3,000 acres of gallops available at Newmarket, and redesign the round racecourse to meet safety worries.

However, of more concern is the commonly held view among the training fraternity that Newmarket is first and foremost a training centre which also stages racing.

This is the crux of the problem facing Player as he attempts to drag Newmarket into the 1990s. The tens of thousands of people who come to Newmarket each year do so because of the racing on offer and their needs and concerns should be paramount. Ask York.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Newbury

Going: good

2.00 (5f 34yd) 1, Easy Option (T Quinn, 8-1); 2, Cue Time (9-4); 3, Limerick Belle (8-1). Maid For Walking 7-4 fav. 8 ran. 3½l, 1½l. W Jarvis. Tote: £8.80; £2.00, £1.20, £2.20. DF: £20.30. CSF: £26.06.

2.30 (5f 34yd) 1, Ashtina (L Dettori, 7-1); 2, Master Of Passion (8-1); 3, Paddy Chalk (5-1 fav). 12 ran. ¾l, 1½l. R Hodges. Tote: £7.20; £2.70, £3.50, £2.00. DF: £63.20. Trio: £62.30. CSF: £56.26. Tricast: £278.12.

3.00 (1m 5f 61yd) 1, Red Route (W Ryan, 11-10 fav, Richard Evans's nap); 2, Shareek (11-1); 3, Shambo (10-1). 6 ran. 6l, 3l. H Cecil. Tote: £1.90; £1.30, £2.80. DF: £10.70. CSF: £11.98.

3.30 (1m 4f 5yd) 1, Isle Of Pearls (J Reid, 9-2 fav); 2, Statajack (6-1); 3, Royal Seaton (7-1). 14 ran. 1l, 1l. Lady Herries. Tote: £5.70; £2.40, £1.80, £2.50. DF: £11.40. Trio: £39.80. CSF: £29.39. Tricast: £171.95.

4.05 (7f) 1, Vanishing Day (J Reid, 11-8 fav); 2, Bahri (20-1); 3, Phantom Gold (50-1). 23 ran. Sh hd, 1l. P Chapple-Hyam. Tote: £2.60; £1.60, £7.20, £9.40. DF: £58.10. CSF: £33.12.

4.35 (7f 64yd) 1, Menas Gold (M Roberts, 6-1); 2, Sehan Gara Boy (7-1); 3, Rising Dough (20-1). Amethaea 5-1 j-fav. 12 ran. NR: Fresh Look. 1l, 1½l. S Dow. Tote: £7.20; £2.40, £2.50, £7.30. DF: £35.10. Trio: £350.20. CSF: £46.79. Tricast: £775.28.

5.05 (7f) 1, Everglades (Pat Eddery, 11-1); 2, Dernan (5-1); 3, Absolute Magic (9-1); 4, Classic Sky (6-1). Ishnsaar 9-2 fav. 18 ran. 3l, 1½l. R Charlton. Tote: £11.20; £2.50, £1.60, £2.10, £3.40. DF: £27.80. Trio: £150.60. CSF: £67.62. Tricast: £499.37.

Jackpot: £17,613.80 (0.8 winning tickets). Pool of £4,961.65 carried forward to Windsor today).

Placepot: £285.10. Quadpot: £48.90.

Ripon

2.15 1, Sky Music (3-1 fav); 2, Fighter Squadron (14-1); 3, Old Comrades (11-1). 15 ran.

2.45 1, Britannia Mills (33-1); 2, Dame Prospect (13-2); 3, Diamond Crown (12-1). Cultam 7-4 fav. 12 ran. NR: Toogoodtoryou.

3.15 1, Floating Line (9-2 fav); 2, First Bid (5-1); 3, Colorful Ambition (5-1). 9 ran.

3.45 1, Don't Worry Me (7-4 jt-fav, Private Handicapper's top rating); 2, Lloc (3-1); 3, Green Palm Tree (7-4 jt-fav). 5 ran.

4.15 1, Celestial Choir (14-1); 2, Lazenio (3-1 fav); 3, Royal Hill (10-1); 4, Coureur (10-1). 16 ran.

4.50 1, Taffeta Silk (11-4); 2, Hickory Blue (4-1); 3, Tenor (10-1). Serale 5-2 fav. 12 ran.

Bangor

2.25 1, Deduce (30-100 fav); 2, Chertatrivola (10-1); 3, Sungia (50-1). 7 ran. NR: Kinlogh Gale.

2.55 1, McCarthys Hotel (50-1); 2, Friendly Fellow (5-4 fav); 3, Busman (11-2). 8 ran.

3.25 1, Peace Officer (4-1); 2, Clever Folly (10-11 fav); 3, St Athans Lad (7-4). 3 ran.

3.55 1, Fluidity (11-1); 2, Bondaid (11-4); 3, Reflon (4-1). Don't Forget Marie 6-5 fav. 5 ran. NR: Castlerichardking.

4.25 1, Merlins Wish (8-13 fav); 2, Caxton (11-4); 3, Man Of The Grange (8-1). 5 ran.

5.00 1, Junction Twentytwo (100-30); 2, Secret Formula (20-1); 3, Lexus (10-11 fav). 10 ran.

Stratford

2.20 1, Wilkins (4-6 fav); 2, Arctic Life (9-4); 3, Road To Au Bon (13-2). 5 ran.

2.50 1, Quiet Dawn (12-1); 2, Kemys Commander (10-11 fav); 3, Give Me An Answer (15-2). 6 ran.

3.20 1, Deep Dark Dawn (10-1); 2, Striding Edge (7-4 fav); 3, Try Me Now (33-1). 7 ran.

3.50 1, Badastan (4-5 fav); 2, Camcastle (9-2); 3, Bravo Star (7-2). 4 ran. NR: The Prussian.

4.20 1, The Yank (11-4); 2, Wellknown Character (10-11 fav); 3, Mister Feathers (7-1). 5 ran.

4.55 1, Northern Trial (7-4 fav); 2, Tenayestelign (6-1); 3, Fussy Lady (10-1). 6 ran.

Lingfield Park

5.40 1, Fort Knox (7-1); 2, Silver Groom (9-2); 3, Whatever's Right (7-2 fav); 4, Willingly (20-1). 16 ran.

6.10 1, Sapphire Son (4-1 fav); 2, Joseno (20-1); 3, Giggleswick Gossip (11-2). 15 ran.

6.40 1, Brumon (10-1); 2, Shamwari (7-4); 3, Locksman (7-2). The Chairman 6-4 fav. 4 ran.

7.10 1, Proton (9-2); 2, Preston Guild (20-1); 3, Pampered Guest (4-1 jt-fav). Lochbelle 4-1 jt-fav. 14 ran.

7.40 1, Young Fact (7-1); 2, Rolling Waters (12-1); 3, Waldo (9-2). Dutosky 5-2 fav. 13 ran. NR: Give In.

8.10 1, Memory's Gold (9-4 fav); 2, Dynamis (9-2); 3, All The Joys (14-1). 13 ran.

Nottingham

5.55 1, Admiral Rous (14-1); 2, Rose Of Glenn (3-1 fav); 3, Kismetim (10-1); 4, Top Prize (6-1). 18 ran.

6.25 1, Total Joy (3-1); 2, Extra Time (9-1); 3, Ruby Heights (3-1). El Bailador 7-4 fav. 7 ran. NR: My Time.

6.55 1, Cindy's Star (7-1); 2, Ruby Estate (10-11 fav); 3, My Handy Man (12-1). 10 ran.

7.25 1, Amidst (6-1); 2, Blaze Of Oak (4-1); 3, Positivo (7-2). Tanseeq 100-30 fav. 13 ran.

7.55 1, El Supremo (6-4 fav, Our Newmarket Correspondent's nap); 2, In The Swing (16-1); 3, Noble Kingdom (6-1). 20 ran.

8.25 1, Queens Consul (7-2); 2, Knobbleeneeze (14-1); 3, Leave It To Lib (20-1); 4, Mr Cube (25-1). High Low 9-4 fav. 16 ran.

☐ Richard Hannon's Alriffa was 11 lengths fifth to Flying Dream in the £155,642 BMW Europachampionat at Hoppegarten, Berlin, yesterday.

☐ Harlestone Brook, trained by John Dunlop, landed the £5,609 Prix Gladiateur d'Ostende on Saturday. Tony McGlone rode the winner.

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THUNDERER

2.15 Mbulwa. 2.45 Segala. 3.15 Gospel Song. 3.45 Warwick Warrior. 4.15 Kemo Sabo. 4.45 Potsclose.

Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.15 **ALBEIT**.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.45 Segala. 4.15 **LITTLE FATHER** (nap).

GOING: FIRM SIS

DRAW: 6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

2.15 HAZELBANK SELLING HANDICAP
(£2,717: 1m 1f 36yd) (13 runners)

1	(6)	1443	MONKEY WENCH 18 (V,BF,F) J Berry 3-9-10	J Carroll	90
2	(8)	5033	MBULWA 7 (B,F,G,S) S Kettlewell 8-9-7	J Fortune	92
3	(10)	3540	HIGHFIELD LAD 10 (F) C Fairhurst 3-9-5	J Fanning	90
4	(9)	4406	COMTEC'S LEGEND 17 (F,B) J Bottomley 4-9-0	G Carter	89
5	(3)	605	SAKURA 73 M Hammond 3-9-0	J Marshall (5)	80
6	(7)	05-0	SUSPECT 30 Mrs S Bradburne 4-9-0	J Lowe	85
7	(4)	3045	MEDIA MESSENGER 23 (CD,S) Denys Smith 5-8-13	K Fallon	91
8	(5)	5553	BEE DEE BEST 25 Miss L Perratt 5-8-12	G Duffield	82
9	(2)	-041	ALBEIT 7 (F) C Thornton 4-8-12 (5ex)	A Mackay	[illegible]
10	(1)	6444	FLASHMAN 7 (B) F Lee 4-8-10	R Lappin	98
11	(11)	0-00	BALLY ROBERT 17 R Allan 4-8-7	S Maloney	89
12	(13)	0063	BOLD MELODY 18 (CD,F,G) P Haslam 5-8-6	J Weaver	84
13	(12)	0604	*BRIGADORE GOLD 3 F Lee 4-8-3*	D Wright (5)	96

7-2 Albeit, 5-1 Mbulwa, 6-1 Bee Dee Best, 7-1 Flashman, 8-1 Bold Melody, Comtec's Legend, 10-1 Monkey Wench, 12-1 Media Messenger, 14-1 Brigadore Gold, Sakura, 16-1 others.

2.45 LANGS SUPREME SCOTCH WHISKY HANDICAP (£4,728: 1m 65yd) (4)

1	(2)	1014	SIR ARTHUR HOBBS 5 (CD,F,G,S) W Bentley 7-9-10	R Lappin	98
2	(3)	3114	HAPPY HOSTAGE 5 (BF,CD,F) M Johnston 3-9-7	J Weaver	96
3	(1)	1-24	SEGALA 10 (S) M Prescott 3-9-7	G Duffield	90
4	(4)	5200	ROYAL CITIZEN 17 (B,G) J Bottomley 5-8-9	G Carter	[illegible]

7-4 Happy Hostage, 2-1 Sir Arthur Hobbs, 11-4 Segala, 9-2 Royal Citizen.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: W Bentley, 5 winners from 20 runners, 25.0%. S Kettlewell, 5 from 21, 23.8%. M Prescott, 7 from 34, 20.6%. J Berry, 56 from 273, 20.5%. P Haslam, 17 from 98, 17.3%. Mrs J Ramsden, 9 from 56, 16.1%.

JOCKEYS: J Weaver, 22 winners from 93 rides, 23.7%. J Carroll, 50 from 227, 22.0%. K Darley, 48 from 244, 19.7%. R Lappin, 5 from 26, 19.2%. G Duffield, 18 from 126, 14.3%.

3.15 ROSEBANK CLAIMING STAKES
(2-Y-O: £2,642: 6f 5yd) (4)

1	(2)	5606	GOSPEL SONG 18 (B,CD,F) W Kemp 8-11	J Lowe	[illegible]
2	(1)	D140	WE'RE JOKEN 11 (D,G,S) J Berry 8-10	J Carroll	93
3	(4)	20	CAN SHE CAN CAN 11 M Johnston 8-4	J Weaver	87
4	(3)		SKIDDAW BREEZE D Moffatt 8-0	S Maloney	–

5-4 We're Joken, 7-4 Gospel Song, 7-2 Can She Can Can, 10-1 Skiddaw Breeze.

3.45 COURVOISIER COGNAC CLASSIC HANDICAP
(£3,638: 6f 5yds) (5)

1	(3)	3430	DENSBEN 21 (B,C,D,F,G,S) Denys Smith 10-9-12	K Fallon	94
2	(1)	1332	MUSTN'T GRUMBLE 25 (B,CD,G) B Beasley 4-9-10	K Darley	93
3	(4)	3112	WARWICK WARRIOR 12 (BF,C,D,F,G) P Haslam 3-9-3	J Weaver	94
4	(5)	0002	MURRAY'S MAZDA 5 (CD,F,G,S) J Berry 5-9-0	J Carroll	[illegible]
5	(2)	4000	MISS PIGALLE 16 (B) Miss L Perratt 3-7-9	J Lowe	93

6-4 Mustn't Grumble, 9-4 Densben, 4-1 Warwick Warrior, 5-1 Murray's Mazda, 10-1 Miss Pigalle.

4.15 EBF DENYS SMITH 70TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £3,864: 6f 5yd) (7)

1	(6)	4	BRIDGE OF FIRE 14 J Watts 9-0	B Thomson	[illegible]
2	(5)	33	KEMO SABO 11 (BF) Mrs J Ramsden 9-0	K Fallon	97
3	(4)	4	LITTLE FATHER 12 M Stoute 9-0	K Darley	92
4	(7)		PLAYING FOR TIME Mrs J Ramsden 9-0	J Fanning	–
5	(2)	0	SUL FOSSO 119 J Berry 9-0	J Carroll	–
6	(3)		COOLABA PRINCESS F Lee 8-9	R Lappin	–
7	(1)	04	THE ASPECTO GIRL 9 M Johnston 8-9	J Weaver	84

9-4 Bridge Of Fire, 5-2 Little Father, 4-1 Kemo Sabo, 7-1 The Aspecto Girl, 8-1 Coolaba Princess, 10-1 Sul Fosso, 14-1 Playing For Time.

4.45 COURVOISIER COGNAC APPPRENTICES HANDICAP (£2,565: 1m 4f 17yd) (4)

1	(4)	6221	POTSCLOSE 7 (D,F) M Johnston 3-10-1 (5ex)	Oliver Casey (5)	96
2	(2)	4040	DEB'S BALL 53 (D,F,G,S) D Moffatt 8-9-4	S Maloney	96
3	(1)	1160	ROYAL CIRCUS 63 (CD,F,G) J O'Shea 5-8-9	D Griffiths (3)	94
4	(3)	5660	SIR EDWARD HENRY 17 (C,F) F Lee 4-8-6	D Wright	[illegible]

4-5 Potsclose, 5-2 Deb's Ball, 3-1 Royal Circus, 12-1 Sir Edward Henry.

☐ Bin Ajwaad, trained by Ben Hanbury and ridden by Lester Piggott, took the group three Desmond Stakes at the Curragh on Saturday after Heart Lake, who passed the post first, was disqualified for causing interference (Our Irish Racing Correspondent writes). John Murtagh, Heart Lake's rider, was banned for 12 days.

WINDSOR

THUNDERER

2.30 Call Me Albi
3.00 Santana Lady
3.30 Taufan's Melody
4.00 Free Life
4.30 Just Like Me
5.00 **MIRIAM** (nap)

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.30 Zilzal Zamaan.

GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 . . B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing. J if jumps. F if flat (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good. S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: 5F-6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.30 BELMEAD SELLING STAKES
(3-Y-O: £2,783: 1m 2f 7yd) (13 runners)

101	(7)	406551	BAYOU 9 (F) (Mrs A Lyons) C Booth 9-7	A Culhane	93
102	(8)	055103	CALL ME ALBI 12 (V,F) (R Higson) G L Moore 9-7	B Rouse	90
103	(11)	004005	ARAFARAZ 25 (J Bridger) J Bridger 9-0	Rachel Bridger (7)	80
104	(12)	0	ARRAS BLUE 18 (J Nicholson) J Long 9-0	N Adams	–
105	(9)	000-000	SUBTLE BRIEF 27 (R Thompson) R Thompson 9-0	M Roberts	–
106	(2)	0-0	FOREMMA 21 (P Hedger) P Hedger 8-9	S Dawson	–
107	(3)	0	JUSTFORAY 7 (Mrs I Price) J Jenkins 8-9	N Gwilliams	–
108	(10)	0303	LA BELLE SHYANNE 11 (Duckhaven Stud) A Newcombe 8-9	S Raymont	90
109	(5)	025503	MCGILLYCUDDY REEKS 11 (N Sweeney) R Hollinshead 8-9	W Ryan	[illegible]
110	(13)	0-00600	NANDURA 28 (V) (Midhurst Farm Inc) M Heaton-Ellis 8-9	S Whitworth	89
111	(4)	65-0000	RADIANT DANCER 42 (Dozen Dreamers Partnership) R Phillips 8-9	A Clark	84
112	(6)	006030	S'AMUSER 21 (C Booth) R Williams 8-9	T Ives	86
113	(1)		THE LEAF SWEEPER (Cleeve Stables) M Bolton 8-9	C Rutter	–

BETTING: 9-4 McGillycuddy Reeks, 3-1 Bayou, 4-1 Call Me Albi, 6-1 La Belle Shyanne, 10-1 others.

1993: PATONS BEACH 8-9 R Hills (4-1) J Hills 13 ran

FORM FOCUS

BAYOU beat Mokarre 2l in seller at Redcar (7f, good to firm). CALL ME ALBI 3¾l 3rd of 10 to Cone Lane in selling handicap at Brighton (1m 4f, firm). LA BELLE SHYANNE 11¾l 3rd of 9 to Prince Danzig in handicap at Brighton (1m 2f, good to firm). MCGILLYCUDDY REEKS 1¾l 3rd of 16 to Happy Hostage in handicap at Pontefract (1m, good to firm). S'AMUSER 7¾l 3rd of 6 to Blues Bay in seller at Yarmouth (1m 2f, good).

Selection: BAYOU

3.00 QUORTINA CHALLENGE CUP HANDICAP
(£4,620: 1m 3f 135yd) (8 runners)

201	(7)	060521	*ADDICTED TO LOVE 16 (B,CD,F,G) (Mascalls Stud) P Makin 5-10-0*	L Dettori	96
202	(3)	35/5-5	DEBOS 23 (W Scott) M Stoute 4-9-13	J Tate (3)	–
203	(4)	0-11024	BENFLEET 18 (C,G,S) (C Donovan) R Armstrong 3-9-10	R Price	97
204	(8)	0625-15	SANTANA LADY 12 (BF,C,F,G) (F Sarebury) M H-Ellis 5-9-8	Stephen Davies (3)	90
205	(5)	8810-50	BO KNOWS BEST 114 (D,G,S) (D Humphreys) G L Moore 5-9-5	B Rouse	92
206	(1)	153450	UPPER GROSVENOR 14 (G) (Mrs H Levy) W Muir 3-9-5	D Holland	98
207	(2)	4-60000	*LA MENORQUINA 12 (J Arden) D Marks 4-8-7*	S Sanders (5)	[illegible]
208	(6)	000560	GLISTENING DAWN 38 (B) (D Milburn) R Peacock 4-7-7	N Adams	89

Long handicap: Glistening Dawn 6-11

BETTING: 9-4 Addicted To Love, 5-2 Benfleet, 9-2 Santana Lady, 6-1 Debos, Upper Grosvenor, 14-1 others.

1993: SHIRLEY ROSE 3-8-12 M Roberts (6-4 fav) M Johnston 7 ran

FORM FOCUS

ADDICTED TO LOVE beat Roisin Clover 3l in 11-runner handicap over course and distance (good to firm). DEBOS 10¾l last of 5 to Statajack in handicap at Ascot (1m 4f, good to firm). BENFLEET 3¾l 4th of 15 to Coureur in handicap at Goodwood (1m 1f, firm). SANTANA LADY 11¾l 5th of 15 to Rock Legend in apprentice jockeys handicap at Kempton (1m 4f, good to firm) with LA MENORQUINA (4lb better off) 8l 10th. Previously beat Special Risk 7l in 10-runner handicap at Lingfield (AW, 1m 4f). BO KNOWS BEST 13l 5th of 12 to Kadastrof in handicap at Newmarket (1m 6f, good to soft) on penultimate start. UPPER GROSVENOR 2¾l 5th of 7 to Lunar Mission in handicap here (1m 2f, good to firm) on penultimate start.

Selection: ADDICTED TO LOVE

3.30 THEALE CONDITIONS STAKES (£4,909: 1m 2f 7yd) (6 runners)

301	(2)	1	CAMPAIGN 61 (D,F) (Shaikh Mohammed) W Hern 3-8-10	T Sprake	80
302	(5)	426445	DANGER POINT 17 (G) (HRH Prince Fahd Salman) R Hannon 3-8-10	T Quinn	89
303	(1)	12	TAUFAN'S MELODY 38 (F) (Ali Al Sea) Lady Herries 3-8-10	T Ives	[illegible]
304	(6)	5-143	ZILZAL ZAMAAN 38 (S) (Mana Al Maktoum) M Stoute 3-8-10	B Raymond	95
305	(4)	13-662	HARVEST MOUSE 52 (F) (Lady Vestey) R Charlton 3-8-8	L Dettori	90
306	(3)	240262	THE FLYING PHANTOM 21 (F) (P Betts Ltd) M Tompkins 3-8-8	P Robinson	92

BETTING: 5-4 Zilzal Zamaan, 7-2 Taufan's Melody, 5-1 Harvest Mouse, 6-1 Campaign, 10-1 others.

1993: ICY SOUTH 3-8-8 L Dettori (16-1) J Gosden 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

CAMPAIGN beat Lombardic ½l in maiden at Ripon (1m 2f, good to firm). DANGER POINT 5l 5th to Frustration in Goodwood handicap (1m 2f, firm). TAUFAN'S MELODY 1l 2nd to Highland Dress in at Chester (1m 2f 75yd, good to firm). ZILZAL ZAMAAN 2½l dead-heat 3rd to Lower Egypt in conditions race at York (1m, good). HARVEST MOUSE 1½l 2nd to Double Dagger in conditions race at Doncaster (1m 4f, good to firm).

Selection: TAUFAN'S MELODY (nap)

4.00 ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND NURSERY HANDICAP
(2-Y-O: £4,932: 5f 217yd) (15 runners)

401	(14)	15633	GOLDEN DANEHILL 12 (S) (D Sesler) R Hannon 9-7	L Dettori	95
402	(5)	051	SALLY WELD 9 (D,F) (R Lamb) C Brittain 9-2	J Williams	92
403	(9)	053	BALANCE OF POWER 21 (Whitsbury Manor Partnership) [illegible] 8-12	W Newnes	91
404	[illegible]	052	ASSUMPSIT 15 (5F) [illegible]	M Roberts	[illegible]
405	(13)	545215	DOLLY FACE 5 (BF,F) [illegible]	Stephen Davies (3)	92
406	(6)	02112	DELIGHT OF DAWN 11 (D,F,G) [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
407	[illegible]	63152	ROCKCRACKER 12 (D,F) [illegible]	W Ryan	[illegible]
408	(5)	6410	FREE LIFE 16 (F) (HRH Prince Fahd Salman) P Cole 8-10	T Quinn	95
409	(4)	3301	BOWDEN ROSE 7 (CD,F) [illegible]	J Quinn	91
410	(7)	223350	POLY LAUREON 7 (F) [illegible]	F Norton	88
411	(15)	311126	CABCHARGE BLUE 24 (D,F) [illegible] M Tompkins 8-5	P Robinson	92
412	(11)	602225	LOCHBROOM COMMANDO 16 (D Waters) G Lewis 8-6	Paul Eddery	59
413	(3)	0003	SECRET BALLAD 11 [illegible]	D Holland	93
414	(10)	306	RITZIBELLE 44 (Lady Parker) S Hills 8-5	D Harrison	91
415	(12)	5043	NADWATY 10 (Shaikh Amin Dahlawi) [illegible]	Dale Gibson	92

BETTING: 5-1 Rockcracker, 6-1 Golden Danehill, 7-1 Bowden Rose, 8-1 Sally Weld, 10-1 Free Life, Delight Of Dawn, Secret Ballad, 12-1 others.

1993: MAJOR SUCCESS 9-4 D Holland (4-1) Mrs B Hills 14 ran

FORM FOCUS

SALLY WELD beat Sue's Return ½l in maiden auction at Lingfield (6f, good to firm). DOLLY FACE beat Naonagnag ¾l in nursery at Brighton (5f 59yd, firm) on penultimate start. DELIGHT OF DAWN 2½l 2nd to Time Of Trouble in nursery at Pontefract (6f, good to firm). ROCKCRACKER 1½l 2nd to Lennox Lewis in nursery at Kempton (6f, good to firm) with GOLDEN DANEHILL (1lb better off) 1½l 3rd. BOWDEN ROSE beat G Factor neck in nursery over course and distance (good to firm) with POLY LAUREON (9lb better off) 13¾l 10th. CABCHARGE BLUE ½l 2nd to Gallows Corner in nursery at Lingfield (6f, good) penultimate start. LOCHBROOM COMMANDO 4½l 5th of 13 to Fard in valuable nursery at Newmarket (6f, good).

Selection: DELIGHT OF DAWN

4.30 EBF BRACKNELL MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £4,478: 5f 10yd) (14 runners)

501	(2)	0040	COASTGUARD COTTAGE 12 (Coastguards Estate Agents) M Usher 9-0	M Wigham	65
502	(5)	36	ESTOPPEL 101 (BF) (E Winfield) B Hills 9-0	R Street	[illegible]
503	(7)		FAIR ATTRACTION (Ash Partnership) A Hide 9-0	J Williams	–
504	(10)	04	HOH 3 (HOH Supply Limited) P Cole 9-0	T Quinn	86
505	(6)	00	*KEVASINGO 31 (G Steinberg) S Dow 9-0*	W Ryan	–
506	(9)	0	MALIBU MAN 16 (Church Racing Partnership) S Mellor 9-0	D Harrison	–
507	(8)	063063	MEHTAR 12 (Shaik A Yousuf Al Sabah) Miss Kelleway 9-0	Stephen Davies (3)	85
508	(3)	262	SILK COTTAGE 7 (BF) (M Ng) R Whitaker 9-0	A Culhane	96
509	(1)		SUE ME (M Payton) W Muir 9-0	J Tate (3)	–
510	(13)	040	THAT MAN AGAIN 28 (M Jameson) G Lewis 9-0	S Whitworth	76
511	(12)		JUST LIKE ME (Mrs L Mills) R Guest 8-9	M Roberts	–
512	(14)		PETRA'S STAR (Hon Mrs D Whiteleigh) M Heaton-Ellis 8-9	D Holland	–
513	(4)		PLUCKY PET (R Lamb) C Benstead 8-9	B Rouse	–
514	(11)	445	SINGING ROCK 54 (G Shoopshire) R Hannon 8-9	L Dettori	56

BETTING: 7-2 Estoppel, 5-1 Singing Rock, 6-1 Silk Cottage, Hoh, 8-1 Petra's Star, Mehtar, 10-1 others.

1993: *CRYSTAL MAGIC* 8-9 Pat Eddery (9-4 fav) R Hannon 14 ran

FORM FOCUS

ESTOPPEL 5l 6th to Fayjoura in Lingfield maiden (5f, good). HOH 2¾l 4th to Muchtarak in Folkestone maiden (5f, good). *MEHTAR 4¾l 3rd to* Dolly Face in Brighton nursery (5f 59yd, firm). SILK COTTAGE 2l 2nd to Baileys Sunset in Thirsk maiden auction (5f, firm). THAT MAN AGAIN 4l 4th to Rockcracker in Bath maiden (5f 161yd, firm) penultimate start. SINGING ROCK 6¼l 5th Pearl Venture in Salisbury maiden (5f, good to firm).

Selection: SINGING ROCK

5.00 ADDITIONAL APPRENTICES HANDICAP
(£3,236: 5f 10yd) (15 runners)

601	(1)	136065	PALEY PRINCE 6 (CD,F,G) (Shirval Partners) M Usher 8-9-12	C Adamson (3)	95
602	(4)	064211	BATCHWORTH BOUND 19 (B,D,F,G) (Mrs D Price) S Mellor 5-9-12	A Daly	93
603	(10)	000000	CANTORIS 5 (B,D,F,G) (G Clean) R Williams 6-9-9	Tracy Johnson (3)	[illegible]
604	(5)	*004245*	*THE NOBLE OAK 32 (B,CD,F,G) (J Wells) M McCormack 6-9-9*	Iona Wands	92
605	(15)	003066	ANOTHER JADE 9 (D,G,S) (L Fust) A Jarvis 4-9-9	S Busfield (8)	96
606	(9)	2163	FLORAL SPARK 28 (D,G) (J Charlton) R Charlton 5-9-7	Rhona Gent (8)	92
607	(3)	025/06-0	WINDRUSH BOY 73 (J Weetley) J Bosley 4-9-3	Aimee Cook	–
608	(12)	013240	MIRIAM 11 (D,F) (Miss A Whitehead) M Fetherston-Godley 5-9-0	Martin Dwyer	92
609	(11)	633312	THE FED 6 (D,F) (The Country Lane Partnership) R Whitaker 4-9-12	A Eddery (5)	95
610	(6)	*050000*	*MONSIEUR PETONG 6 (G) (Mick Quinn Racing) M Channon 3-8-12*	R Waterfield (3)	87
611	(14)	055-640	EUROCHEM LAD 88 (V) (R Higson) G L Moore 3-8-11	Caroline Hovington (8)	80
612	(7)	050455	BANBURY FLYER 11 (D,F,G) (Mrs A King) Mrs A King 6-8-4	D Denby	94
613	(8)	530620	ON THE WING AGAIN 14 (A Campion) Mark Campion 5-9-3	Kate Mason (8)	91
614	(2)	504000-	HOLLINGTON SONG 284 (Mrs J Kendall-Davis) M Madgwick 3-8-2	C Scudder	85
615	(13)	304544	TEE-EMM 12 (D,G) (R Carey) P Howling 4-5-7	Debbie Biggs (3)	95

BETTING: 9-2 Floral Spark, 6-1 Batchworth Bound, The Fed, 8-1 The Noble Oak, 10-1 Paley Prince, 12-1 Hollington Song, Cantoris, 14-1 others.

1993: JUCEA 4-9-8 R Painter (9-1) J Spearing 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

PALEY PRINCE 10l 5th to Bangles in rated stakes at Bath (5f, good to firm) with MONSIEUR PETONG (13lb better off) 9l 7th. BATCHWORTH BOUND beat Very Dicey 1¾l in handicap at Epsom (5f, good to firm). ANOTHER JADE 4½l 6th to Fay's Song in Lingfield handicap (6f, good to firm). MIRIAM 1¾l 2nd to Jayannpee in Bath handicap (5f, firm) with FLORAL SPARK head 3rd. THE FED 2l 2nd of 7 to Judgement Call in Yarmouth handicap (5f, good). Previously beat Warwick Warrior 1½l in Nottingham handicap (5f, good to firm) with TEE-EMM (6lb better off) ½l 4th. BANBURY FLYER 2½l 5th to Very Dicey in handicap at Bath (5f, good to firm) with PALEY PRINCE (4lb worse off) 1¾l 6th and MIRIAM (4lb worse off) 1¾l 7th.

Selection: THE FED

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P Makin	9	42	21.4	L Dettori	36	184	19.6
R Charlton	6	31	19.4	M Roberts	17	[illegible]	[illegible]
R Hannon	42	232	18.1	B Raymond	[illegible]	55	[illegible]
W Hern	7	44	15.9	T Sprake	[illegible]	45	[illegible]
M Stoute	5	36	13.9	Stephen Davies	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

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TRAINERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Days since win	Level stake
J Berry	103	90	63	[illegible]	-141.29
M Johnston	91	64	65	4	+43.07
R Hannon	81	94	91	3	-247.46
M Stoute	65	46	56	1	-3.51
J Gosden	64	57	45	[illegible]	-8.65
Mrs M Reveley	61	64	48	[illegible]	-55.97

JOCKEYS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Losing sequence	Level stake
L Dettori	163	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	-117.46
J Weaver	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	13	[illegible]
K Darley	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	22	[illegible]
Pat Eddery	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	[illegible]
T Quinn	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	2	[illegible]
J Reid	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4	[illegible]

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The girl who lost herself

Margaret Leeson tells of a parent's agonising fight to save a bright child from a world of loneliness and silence

"It was winter time when the last part of me marched away. I woke in icy darkness. I had disappeared." These are not the words of a hostage or political prisoner, nor even the poetry of the insane. They were written by a 13-year-old girl who had overnight become a stranger to us, her family.

Nothing could have prepared us for the horror of that time. Not even the friend who, three years earlier, had gently inquired: "How old is she? Ten? Of course, you've got it all to come." All to come, I wondered innocently. What could she mean? Rachel was a lively, outgoing child: no problems there. I was to recall those words wryly when Rachel sat against the door of her room, denying us entry — or lay in bed, silent, unresponsive, refusing to go to school. Refusing even to say what was wrong.

For two years this continued, yet we could persuade no one there was a problem. "Just adolescence," said the doctor. The school took no action. What could they do when she was never there? The Education Welfare Officer did make an appearance at the door, but Rachel's only reaction was to run away. She reached London before the police returned her home.

Was it just adolescence? It was certainly no simple case of truanting. Her sole and solitary pleasure seemed to come from watching television, hour after hour, long into the night, until we were forced to turn off the electricity. Or she would endlessly read and reread children's books, seeking in them the solace and security she could not find elsewhere. She would eat nothing — or everything, raiding the kitchen and consuming all she could lay her hands on.

So what was wrong? What had turned this child into a stranger who had locked herself away? She could see what she was doing: her writing shows a detached self, analysing the emotions over which she had no control. *"I am frightened,"* she wrote. *"I will lock myself away like a Russian doll, boxed inside a box."*

She was frightened because she was different, a square peg for whom school had provided no square hole. A highly intelligent child, she needed a freedom the conventional academic path did not offer. Her perception was mature beyond her years, but she could never remember left from right. She could see vividly the effects she wanted to create but her childish clumsiness would frustrate her into wild explosions of rage. So she remained a square peg, labelled as odd by unimaginative teachers and pupils alike.

At that young age, our perception of ourselves depends so heavily on the perceptions of others that few children have the confidence to value self in the face of constant rejection. No one recognised Rachel's gifts and so she lost her self-esteem — lost, in fact, her self.

"Somewhere I disappeared. Nobody realised and I could not tell them. Each day more of myself beat at the wall behind my eyes and found it crumbled like old bone."

Was Rachel unique? Or are there in our schools many unconventional children whom the system fails? So often the problem stems from the primary school. No one could have been more eager than Rachel to start school and yet it proved a great disappointment. Measured by her teachers against their rather dogmatic criteria of a young child's performance, she was found sadly lacking. Because her mechanical skills in English and mathematics were poor, she was publicly humiliated. In a class of more than 30, no scope was offered for artistic expression and Rachel's imagination and social skills were overlooked. And so, by the age of six, she was already angry and frustrated.

For the more obviously talented child — the musical prodigy or the mathematical genius — there are square holes to be found. Indeed, the new Parent's Charter expects schools to explain the facilities they offer for particularly able children. But this ignores the fact that for the Rachels of this world, there are no easy answers. These are the children who frustrate teachers by their apparent refusal to perform — or conform. They frustrate parents by their refusal to speak — or, as in our case, even to go to school.

We could have forced her to school. We could — and did — get angry. We could have imposed sanctions, although what sanctions remained when life had become a self-imposed solitary confinement? But none of these measures would have opened the door.

Eventually, in desperation, we found a child psychiatrist who agreed to see her privately. There were days when she refused to go, but he was always there. To him she was not odd: she was Rachel. The breakthrough came when he sent her to an art therapist, where she obsessively fashioned heads from clay and talked . . . and talked. Of her own volition she returned to school to take five GCSEs in one year and by the sixth form she was even ready for boarding school.

We were fortunate. Bedales, in Hampshire, is not a school for problem children, but it is a place that offers any child the freedom to grow. We found a school which sees all its pupils as individuals and not only respects but celebrates their differences. We found Rachel happy, and free to be herself within the framework of a supportive community. We found that Rachel, at last, had reappeared.

There have been ups and downs, of course. And age of itself has brought her more control. But those two wasted years sadden us, for they need never have happened. We need to see every child as unique and not seek to control their diversity by making them conform. Perhaps all children need more tolerant teachers: certainly they need mentors with imagination — and faith. For if there is a lesson to be learnt from Rachel's story, it is that we must never lose hope. With patience we can open that door.

TONY BOLDER



When help was sought from an art therapist, Rachel began obsessively fashioning heads from clay

VIEWPOINT

What happened to the bike shed?

Put children back on the road to freedom

Last weekend I deliberately cycled past seven schools near my home. All of them are relatively modern and have excellent facilities. But not one has a purpose-built bike shed.

Alas and alack, the humble bike shed is fast slipping into folk memory. Comedians and journalists might still refer to the back of the bike shed as the place where first cigarettes were tried and sex was graphically explained, but there are now at least two generations who just don't know what a bike shed is. I'm beginning to think there's a case for preservation orders and listed-building status in my part of Yorkshire. Or a least a Channel 4 documentary.

The disappearance of bike sheds does matter. It is indicative of our children's chauffeur-driven lifestyles, their consequent poor health and the alarming attitudes that adults have about cycling.

> Are roads to be given over entirely to cars?

I have a teacher friend who regularly prepares his pupils for the local council's cycling proficiency scheme. He drills them to perfection and makes them aware of dangers in a sensible fashion. I was there on test day to make sure the bikes were mechanically sound and I stayed on for the test, which was supervised by a policeman. All the children passed but after handing out certificates and badges the policeman went on and on about the dangers of traffic. Listening to his lecture, it seemed the police wanted children off the roads altogether.

Recently, a local newspaper photographer took a picture of some cyclists from another school who had all passed the proficiency test with top marks. He lined them up at the side of the road in the "ready to go" position. Well, there were howls of protest when the picture was published, telephone calls to the school, irate letters to the editor. What was the school doing allowing the children to cycle on such a busy road? The school no longer provides cycle training.

My friend's daughter was in that group of children. She is an excellent cyclist — safe and reliable — and has just finished a 50-mile charity ride. There was a large group of young cyclists on it. All of them were properly equipped and well supervised by adults. They were negotiating a particularly narrow lane on their route when a passing motorist, driving slowly but determined to overtake, knocked one of the girls. As soon as the adult helpers were satisfied that she was unhurt, they shot over to the car driver and offered him their profuse apologies, saying he was not to worry and they were all terribly, terribly sorry for slowing him down.

What is happening? Is there any point in having cycling proficiency tests? Are the roads to be surrendered entirely to cars driven by people who are always in a hurry? The views of adults are effectively placing curfews on children and restricting what they can do and where they can go. Their childhood years are increasingly passive, filled with stale, stifling experiences. A bicycle could, literally, widen the horizons of hundreds of thousands of young people.

We come back to bike shed. It ought to be a matter of government policy that all schools have a secure bike shed and that a network of cycle lanes is planned for roads close to schools. We owe it to our children to give them a part of the road where they can feel safe, where cars are not allowed to go and are not allowed to park. Their health and their freedom of movement depend on it.

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If your A levels let you down, says **Graham Lacey**, don't despair — even if the clearing house is busier than ever

How to put yourself in the clear

The pulses of thousands of prospective students will quicken this week as they turn the final bend in the long chase for a university or college place. More than 15,000 hours of compulsory schooling lie behind them. The anxious wait for A-level results ends on Thursday.

For about half of this year's crop of 392,000 university applicants, the news will be good. They will secure the grades they need and will be free to continue their holidays with minimal disruption. But for the rest, the final sprint for the line may prove as hard, draining and frustrating as anything that has gone before.

If your A-level grades fall short of those demanded by your chosen universities, do not panic. Go back to your first and insurance choice institutions and double-check that they have rejected you. If you have slipped only a grade or two, the admissions tutor may still welcome you. If not, the system known as "clearing" is the next opportunity to secure a higher-education berth. It officially opens on August 24 this year, and is essentially a race for those remaining places that the universities and colleges have not been able to fill. Traditionally, about one in six of all new undergraduates finds a place through clearing — about 45,000 people last year.

You must prepare carefully, take good advice and keep a cool head. Shrewd applicants will try to get a head start by making preliminary inquiries about courses likely to have spare places as soon as the A-level results are published. There will be no time to waste when up to 150,000 people join the scramble.

A vital first step is to study the list of vacancies at different universities published in your newspaper. Make a short list of courses that appeal. It is best to consult prospectuses and other sources of information at the nearest careers centre before narrowing down your choice.

The next stage is to make contact with admissions tutors at particular universities. This is the time to be as patient and persevering as possible. Tracking down and talking to an admissions tutor can be a frustrating and morale-sapping business. They are invariably besieged with telephone inquiries from others in your position. Try to ensure you have a monopoly on the telephone and be prepared — or prepare others — for a larger than normal quarterly bill.

> Show a lot of drive and flexibility and you will find a place

Most admissions tutors will ask for a few basic details, such as your examination results. They will then, if interested, ask for your "passport number". This will have been sent to you automatically by the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service on August 22 with your Clearing Entry Form (Cef). The admissions tutor will then ask you to send him or her your completed Cef. The university or college will then ask Ucas to send it a copy of your original Ucas form.

Remember, send your Cef to the institution only if you are fairly sure it is going to offer you a place, and, above all, if you really want to go there. Do not settle for second-best. This decision is one that you may have to live with for the rest of your life, so make sure you are confident that the university and the course are the correct ones.

You are not allowed to do any fishing in the clearing pool until the institution has reached an official decision one way or the other. This may take as long as a week, by which time other vacancies which might have been more suitable for you may have been snapped up.



ADRIAN BROOKS

The moment of truth — but students should not give up if their first-choice universities reject them

The most important rule remains "never give up" — even if things look bleak and you are having no luck acquiring a place on the course you want. The vacancy situation, often for relatively popular courses, can be very fluid between the start of clearing and the beginning of the university or college term. Each year, surprisingly large numbers of people choose to drop out, sometimes before Fresher's Week; others simply fail to turn up. This can prove an unexpected window of opportunity for the dogged. If you are really taken by a course that appears to be full, do not take "No" for a final answer. A phone call every three or four days may produce a reward, but be careful not to become a nuisance.

Even if you end up with nothing by the start of October, remember that it is not the end of the world; failing to get a place through clearing may just be the best thing that ever happened to you. An enforced "gap year" may not be financially possible or practical for everyone, but it does open up the option of retaking one or more of your exams.

Some tutorial colleges have an impressive record of success at raising A-level grades. Second time around, your experience will prove useful as you reapply through Ucas, helping you to find more suitable courses. If finances allow, travelling is always a popular and enticing option.

Even if you decide against taking a year out, the door to higher education may still be open by applying for the equivalent Higher National Diploma course through clearing. Admission to most HND courses requires just one A-level pass, and clearing vacancies are plentiful. Furthermore, at many universities and colleges it is possible to change to the equivalent degree course if your performance in the first year has been impressive.

One bad aspect of finding a place at university or college through clearing is the question of accommodation. Places in the best halls or lodgings will almost certainly have been snapped up by those meeting the conditions of their original offers. Many institutions cannot guarantee to find official accommodation for those latecomers who acquire a place through clearing. By tackling admission tutors on the issue when you first make contact, you can at least gain some time to find a solution.

Above all, should your grades prove disappointing on Thursday, do not despair. Many departments at many universities and colleges are just as keen to find students as you are to track down an empty place. Unless admissions tutors fill the requisite number of places they face substantial financial penalties. Even the most experienced admissions tutors struggle to hit their targets straight away. Many will fall short, particularly this year when they are unsure about the new admissions system.

In short, an institution may want you as much as you want it. Clearing may resemble more of a lucky dip than a fair and rational method of allocating vacancies, but the applicant who shows enough resolve, determination, flexibility and perhaps even sheer bloody-mindedness will find a place. These days the real challenge lies not so much in getting into higher education, but winning a place on the course and at the university of first preference. But that is another story.

● *The author is the head of careers at Sevenoaks School in Kent.*

PROSPECTS

Prepare for a scramble

Clearing will be more difficult than ever this year, *Ben Preston writes*. More candidates are expected to find themselves thrown into the last-minute scramble for university places that follows the publication of A-level results.

The reason is twofold. The Government has decided to rein in the rapid recent expansion in student numbers by threatening tough financial penalties for universities and colleges that overshoot their recruitment targets this summer. This has coincided with the introduction of a new admissions procedure, bringing together the old and new universities for the first time. The system has created uncertainty, requiring admissions tutors to cope with a 12 per cent increase in the number of application forms, even though the number of candidates is virtually the same as last year.

As a result, tutors have become more cautious, demanding higher grades than last year for many courses. This will probably lead to more people narrowly missing their target grades and being forced into clearing. Universities will then be able to make up precise numbers by looking at individuals with the right results.

Tony Higgins, chief executive of the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (Ucas), says he is "holding his breath" to see how the new system works. He expects that more people will enter clearing, but he hopes that the benefits of a combined system will make their path easier.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a meeting of the creditors of the above-named company will be held at 400 Capability Green, Luton Beds., on the 19th day of August 1994 at 11.00am for the purposes if thought fit, of considering a Liquidator and of appointing a Liquidation Committee. Any proxy to be used at the meeting must be lodged at 400 Capability Green, Luton Beds., not later than 12 noon on the business day before the meeting. A statement of claim must also be lodged.
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A list of the names and addresses of the creditors of the above-named company may be inspected at the offices of Ernst & Young 400 Capability Green, Luton, Beds., between the hours of 10 am and 4pm on the two business days preceding the meeting.
Dated this 10th day of August 1994.
Sairi Yalou, Director/Secretary.

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No. 005559 of 1994
IN THE MATTER OF TRY GROUP PLC and IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated the 27th July, 1994 confirming the reduction of the nominal standing to the credit of the share premium account of the above-named company at 31st December, 1993 by £11,681,925 was registered by the Registrar of Companies on 3rd August, 1994.
Dated this 15th day of August 1994.
McKenna & Co
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London EC1A 4DD
Solicitors for Try Group PLC.

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IN THE MATTER OF TRY HOMES HASTINGS LIMITED and IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated the 27th July, 1994 confirming the reduction of capital of the above-named Company from £1,188,486 to £1,000 was registered by the Registrar of Companies on 3rd August, 1994.
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A list of the names and addresses of the creditors of the above company will be available for inspection at Xtrata House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on the two business days preceding the meeting.
Dated 12 August 1994 Philip W Ardizzi Secretary.

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A list of names and addresses of the above company's creditors can be inspected at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co. 20 Eastbourne Terrace (2nd Floor), London W2 6LE between the hours of 10.00am to 4.00pm on the two business days preceding the Meeting.
Dated this 10th August 1994
L.A. Hopkins, Director.

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IN CREDITORS VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ian Francis, Licensed Insolvency practitioner of Ian Francis Associates, Comfort House, 24 Comfort Place, London W2 1EX was appointed Liquidator of the above-named company on the 11th August 1994.
All creditors who have not already done so are invited to prove their debts in writing to Ian Francis at Comfort House, 24 Comfort Place, London, W2 1EX.
I Francis Liquidator.

INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
SKELDERGATE PROPERTIES LIMITED (IN ADMINISTRATIVE RECEIVERSHIP)
Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Creditors of the above-named company will be held under the provisions of Section 48 of the Insolvency Act 1986 at George House, 50 George Square, Glasgow, G2 1RR on 18 August 1994 at 3.00 pm for the purposes mentioned in S48(2) and S49 of that Act.
Creditors whose claims are wholly secured are not entitled to attend or to be represented at the meeting. Creditors who intend to vote at the meeting should note the following: (a) Written statements of claim must be lodged with the Administrative Receiver by 12 noon on the day before the meeting at George House, 50 George Square, Glasgow, G2 1RR. (b) Proxies for use at the meeting must also be lodged with the Administrative Receiver. J C J Redman Joint Administrative Receiver 26 July 1994.
Notice of appointment of Joint Liquidators
Name of Company B&C Properties (Developments) Limited
Nature of Business Property Investment and Development
Address of registered office Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH
Joint Liquidators names and address S.E. Adamson and G H Hughes Ernst & Young Becket House 1 Lambeth Palace Road London SE1 7EU
Date of appointment 8 August 1994
By whom appointed Members and Creditors
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
B&C Properties (Developments) Limited (In Liquidation)
The Creditors of the above-named company are requested on or before 30 September 1994 to send their names, addresses and particulars to the undersigned, the Joint Liquidators of the company, at Ernst & Young, Becket House, 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London SE1 7EU.
Dated 8 August 1994
S J L Adamson and GH Hughes, Joint Liquidators.
Notice of appointment of Joint Liquidators
Name of Company BCP Construction Limited
Nature of Business Construction Company
Address of registered office Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH
Joint Liquidators names and address S.E. Adamson and G H Hughes Ernst & Young Becket House 1 Lambeth Palace Road London SE1 7EU
Date of appointment 8 August 1994
By whom appointed Members and Creditors
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
BCP Construction Limited (In Liquidation)
The Creditors of the above-named company are requested on or before 30 September 1994 to send their names, addresses and particulars to the undersigned, the Joint Liquidators of the company, at Ernst & Young, Becket House, 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London SE1 7EU.
Dated 8 August 1994
S J L Adamson and GH Hughes, Joint Liquidators.

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A forceful feel-good show: a look at the new touring production of Oklahoma! in Bristol

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Son of a trapeze artist and brother of a Prime Minister: Terry Major-Ball tells his story



A Balanchine act with no safety net

EDINBURGH FESTIVAL: Edward Villella's Miami City Ballet is taking the world by storm — carefully. Christopher Bowen meets its maker

STEVEN CARAS



Just your ordinary everyday superstar, Edward Villella (foreground) still takes dance classes with other members of the Miami City Ballet if business appointments allow him to

Edinburgh is the city of festivals. There's the Big One, of course, but under its umbrella blossom fringe, film, television, book and jazz jamborees. And this year, there is a new one. It's called the North American Dance Festival, but you will find no mention of it in any festival literature. Still, that is what Brian McMaster has programmed for this year's Edinburgh International Festival: five companies — four American, one Canadian — giving 19 performances of 14 works representing some of the greatest and most influential dance creators of the 20th century.

It is a superb programme by any standard. There is dance in the classic, contemporary idiom of Mark Morris, back for the third successive year with performances of his Handel masterwork, *L'Allegro, il Penseroso ed il Moderato*. There are the pure, exquisite forms of Merce Cunningham — at 75 both the eternally youthful sprite and avant-garde icon of American dance — the stark minimalism of Lucinda Childs, and the monumental architectural theatricality of Québecois Jean-Pierre Perreault.

To cap it all, Miami City Ballet will present two programmes of work by the grand master of 20th-century dance, George Balanchine. The repertoire will include *Jewels*: a trio of ballets rarely performed in their evening-length entirety.

South Florida might not be the first place that springs to mind when one thinks of dance — and Balanchine in particular — but this dynamic young company, based in Miami Beach, has built a reputation as one of America's finest classical ensembles. It was in 1985 that Edward Villella, one of the most famous classical male dancers America had ever produced and, for nearly three decades, the dynamic star of Balanchine's New York City Ballet, moved to Florida to prepare the ground for a new dance company. One year later an ensemble of 17 dancers gave performances that were received with surprised, if cautious, approval.

By 1990 Miami City Ballet had made its international debut at the Lyons Biennale de la Danse, an appearance that prompted America's *Dance Magazine* to write: "What Villella has wrought in Florida in four years is little short of a miracle."

Eight years on, the miracle continues apace. Today Miami City Ballet is a company of 35 dancers and ten apprentices drawn from companies and schools around the world, who perform a repertoire of 70 works, more than 30 of them by Balanchine, and operate on a budget of about $6.5 million. So much for Villella's credo, "Less is more."

> "We have to offer our audience something special"

"I have always said you should progress slowly," Villella says. "Whether it's an injury you're coming back from, or a ballet company that's starting up. To succeed you must take deliberate steps, with no short-cuts. I originally set out a plan that included development, community outreach, an apprentice programme, a school. I figured it would take 12 years to gain a secure footing, both nationally and internationally."

And is he on schedule? "We're a couple of years ahead," he says. "I guess we haven't really had the luxury of time."

Part of the company's success, however, must be a result of the amount of time Villella spends with his dancers. Unless he has a vital business meeting he takes the dancers' daily class himself. And here, "less is more" is definitely the house rule.

"Because we gather people from such eclectic backgrounds it would be crazy for me to insist that they get it immediately," he says. "For the most part, we don't really seek technical perfection. Sure, they have to have a facility, a body. But when we look for dancers we look for the ability to move, for people who have their own quality and signature. The first thing is to understand and have patience. We try to eliminate tension and get the kids to relax into it and to try."

Individual movement signatures are fine, but this image does not really square with the perceived demands of Balanchine's most exacting and demanding repertoire. But, says Villella, it is through the daily ritual of class that the speed, attack and impeccable body phrasing so essential to Balanchine is passed on. "I had fabulous minds and bodies to pass to me. What I am trying to do is live up to those previous articulations and continue to make contemporary comment in a classical manner."

It seems to be working. So much so, in fact, that several highly influential American dance critics have voiced the opinion that Miami City Ballet now dances Balanchine better than New York City Ballet, under the direction of Peter Martins, Balanchine's chosen heir.

Villella is not about to get caught in the crossfire. "Peter is not interested in preserving a museum," he says. "That's sensible and logical. He is an artistic director who is also a choreographer. Then there's Jerry Robbins and his repertoire. The resources of NYCB are divided and sub-divided accordingly, so of course the natural inclination is to go towards what is being developed. This is not a contest. I have deep regard and respect for these works. They took care of me as a dancer, and now I want to take care of them."

Clearly those who guard the Balanchine estate are pleased with Villella's treatment of it, since they have entrusted him with *Jewels*, a symphonic trilogy of ballets completed in 1967. Miami City Ballet is the only company, other than NYCB, with the rights to perform all three gems — Fauré's romantic "Emeralds", Stravinsky's jazzy "Rubies" and Tchaikovsky's grandly classical "Diamonds" — a cache Villella flourishes with obvious pride.

Jewels opens Miami City Ballet's week-long visit to Edinburgh tonight, but each ballet will also form the cornerstone of the company's 1994-95 season. Villella has persuaded three of his colleagues from NYCB, Violette Verdy, Patricia McBride and Suzanne Farrell — the original *Jewels* ballerinas — to coach not only their respective gems, but a whole evening of works each. Spread throughout the year, and with a season finale by resident choreographer Jimmy Gamonet De Los Heros, this is programming with real thought and purpose behind it.

"Don't forget, we're competing with a lot of stuff down here in Florida," Villella says. "People are boating and fishing and playing golf. There's all kinds of entertainment going on. We have to offer our audience something special. We can't wait for people to come to us and see."

● *Miami City Ballet open at the Playhouse Theatre, Greenside Place, Edinburgh (031-225 5756) tonight, 7.30pm*

OPERA: Powerful premiere

Glory from a mute cornet

Coming Through Slaughter
Queen Elizabeth Hall

A CHAMBER opera about a jazz musician in which the accompaniment is for string quartet is not in principle the likeliest of prospects, but then Mike Westbrook's new piece, premiered as part of Cultural Industry's "Now You See It" series at the QEH, is unlikely in other respects as well. It is also a notable success, a new opera you want to hear again, and soon.

Based on Michael Ondaatje's novel of the same title and with a libretto by Michael Morris (who also directs), it is a poetic reconstruction of the life of the New Orleans cornet player Buddy Bolden, whose playing was never recorded and about whose career little is known. He died in a mental hospital in 1931.

The fluid, dreamlike scenario treats Bolden as a Wozzeck figure, nudged towards his end by those around him: his wife, a pimp he may (or may not) have killed, a married couple with whom he enjoys a brief rustic idyll, a lowlife photographer, a schoolroom friend who becomes a policeman and follows rather than tracks him down. With a nod to history, we never hear him play, but the valve-trombonist who moves in with his wife adds a startling extra texture to the string-quartet accompaniment in the second of the two hour-long acts.

Westbrook's lyrical, instantly communicative post-modern score wisely declines to ape jazz elements, although blues and ragtime obviously colour it, and to stirring effect. Words, music and structure pay little heed to operatic orthodoxies.

The piece is composed of 16 separate, self-sufficient scenes: in some respects it is almost a meditative song-cycle or dramatic madrigal, and there are plenty of precedents for this in the immediate pre-history of an art form that was "invented" in 1600.

The action can stop in the middle of a scene, even of a conversation, for the instruments to take over — the music is given something to *do* other than accompany, and precedents for that are perhaps less plentiful in contemporary music-theatre. There is much intricate virtuoso writing for solo strings, enthusiastically played under Odaline de la Martinez's direction.

In terms of a one-off, semi-staged performance (music stands and scores strategically placed for those who needed them), Friday's premiere may be accounted a success, but it is easy to imagine *Coming Through Slaughter* making an even greater impact in a space more intimate than the dear old QEH, and freed from amplification of both voices and instruments. A fully staged, properly prepared run is urgently needed.

It is not easy to imagine a better cast for such a run which, apart from anything else, would provide opportunities for some gifted black singers who still seem to find little work with mainstream companies (the litany of *Porgy* and *Carmen Jones* in the programme biographies makes depressing reading).

The Yorkshire-born tenor Wills Morgan gave a performance of glowing intensity and poetic truth as Bolden, his lyric voice clearly projected and fluid, his diction quite exemplary. He made you care desperately about the protagonist's fate.

Denise Hector's gorgeous singing of the wife's bluesy solo in the first act made one want an instant encore, and Dorothy Ross used her vibrant, smoky tone to fine effect as the female element in the ménage à trois idyll.

Douglas Park, an amazing tenor-coming-on-soprano, sang the photographer, and Ismail Taylor-Kamara discreetly underlined the Sporting Life aspect of the pimp. With a few more consonants and less wayward pitch, Keel Watson (the policeman) would surely be in demand for heroic baritone roles; his voice is magnificent.

Oh, and you come out humming the tunes. It's not every new opera of which that can be said.

RODNEY MILNES

MARILYN KINGWELL



Wills Morgan gives a performance of glowing intensity and poetic truth as doomed jazz cornettist Buddy Bolden

PROMS 1994

Constant delights

BBCCO/Wordsworth
Albert Hall/Radio 3

THE first of Friday night's two Proms was a tribute to one of the more colourful characters on the British musical scene in the first half of the century: Constant Lambert. Although remembered chiefly for his iconoclastic book *Music Ho!* and his jazzy setting of Sacheverell Sitwell's poem "The Rio Grande", Lambert composed a number of significant scores, not least in the field of ballet.

One of the finest was *Horoscope*, the concert suite from which was heard in this Prom. More than once, to be sure, with all those Latin American string syncopations and clattering castanets, I thought I *was* listening to "The Rio Grande". But *Horoscope* — at least in the four movements preserved in this suite — has a strongly individual identity of its own, with engaging melodic interest, rhythmic pungency and vibrant instrumental colouring. These qualities were all to the fore in the lively reading by Barry Wordsworth and the BBC Concert Orchestra.

The rest of the programme aptly reflected Lambert's tastes: pieces from the French school (Ravel, Dukas) which he so strongly espoused, the *Karelia Suite* of his idol Sibelius, and two works by his friends Peter Warlock (the *Capriol Suite*, in the less familiar version for full orchestra) and Alan Rawsthorne. The latter was represented by his Concerto for Two Pianos. A strongly atmospheric, almost sinister Adagio separates two movements of unpredictable mood changes and fearsome virtuosity. All this was handled with impressive assurance by Piers Lane and Kathron Sturrock.

Wordsworth is the sort of conductor who can rivet the attention from the opening bars even of pieces as familiar as the *Karelia* or Dukas's *Sorcerer's Apprentice*. In the former, he conjured a sense of drama from his players, and maintained it with an admirably taut rhythmic control. For all its hackneyed popularity, the *Sorcerer's Apprentice* shows Dukas as a masterly orchestrator, and details such as scurrying flutes were excellently brought out. So too was the sense of panic that must have been felt by the apprentice as things got out of control.

But Ravel's *La Valse* is the archetypal embodiment of panic on a more elevated level, and Wordsworth and his orchestra caught that note to perfection.

BARRY MILLINGTON

Feeling full

Indian Music
Albert Hall/Radio 3

WHEN Indian music is the subject, culinary metaphors are dangerous. No sooner has the food comparison been broached, than we are plunged into an inferno of curry and spice clichés. But some concerts can only be compared with a meal. This was true of Friday's late-night Prom. Devoted to a broad range of South and North Indian classical music, the transition from evening to early hours was a movement through sweet and sour, light and substantial, plain and rich, piquant and calming.

The opening performance was given by Kadri Gopalnath, a South Indian-born saxophone virtuoso. His soft, legato flurries meshed perfectly in an unusual grouping of violin, Jew's harp and mridangam drum. This was restrained, elegantly democratic improvising, and a perfect prelude to Bidur Mallik and his two sons.

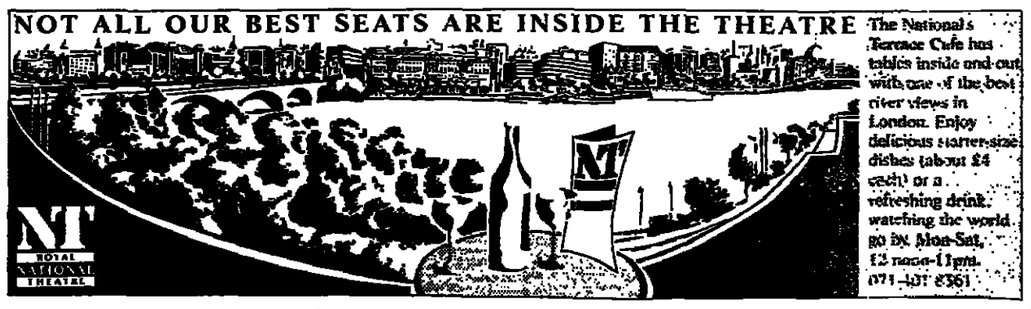
Mallik's family can be linked directly back to a time in Indian history when the dhrupad singing style to which they have devoted themselves was credited with supernatural powers. Those who have never seen this austere, abstract music performed can find the experience almost comical, but the beauty of tone is deeply enriching. Though a small man, Mallik swooped down to very low-pitched sustained notes without a safety net of vibrato and jumped through outlandish intervals.

Pursuing an other-worldly beauty, the dhrupad style is the closest that vocal improvising comes to calligraphy. Vishwa Mohan Bhatt's group was a firework display by comparison. Playing slide guitar with reckless speed but pinpoint accuracy, he led the smile factor in a group that delighted in its own breathtaking virtuosity.

After the interval, Rajan and Sajan Misra, brothers from Banares, explored a single raga for more than an hour. Representing the khyal vocal tradition, these two silver-haired singers revealed remarkable refinements in exquisite slow motion. With tabla drums pattering like raindrops, each brother sustained perfectly tuned notes against a thick drone until they dissolved into the sound pool.

Ustad Amjad Ali Khan closed the programme with the dark, plucked tones of the sarod. Fearless in its clarity and depth, his playing was a rich culmination to a varied feast.

DAVID TOOP



TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kris Anderson

LONDON

BBC HENRY WOOD PROMS: A double celebration this evening for Sir Neville Marriner and the Academy of St Martin in the Fields: his seventieth birthday and the orchestra's thirty-fifth anniversary. Mayumi Seiler makes her Prom debut with Haydn's Violin Concerto No 1 in C major; the programme also includes Haydn's Symphony No 36 in D major, "Miracle" and Beethoven's *Ah! Perfido* and Symphony No 4 in B flat major.
***Albert Hall**, Kensington Gore, SW7* (071-589 8212). Tonight, 7.30pm

LARRY ADLER: A not-to-be-missed chance to hear the great harmonica player celebrate his top-of-the-charts collection *Glory of Gershwin*. With rising star Issy van Randwyck; superlatives all around.
Jazz Cafe, Parkway, Camden, NW1 (071-916 6000). Tonight until Sat.

DOG EAT DOG: The latest collection of sketches, song and parody from the eight-man comedy troupe The Posse opens this week.
Theatre Royal Stratford East, Gerry Raffles Square, E15 (081-534 0310). Tue-Sat, 8pm; mat Sat, 4pm. Until Sept 3

EDINBURGH FESTIVAL

Festivities move into full swing today, so here are the first of the daily highlights.

***Miami City Ballet** bursts onto the* stage tonight with two all-Balanchine *programmes for the week, including his* dazzling abstract piece *Jewels*. Its *second programme is Serenade, Four Temperaments, Tchaikovsky Pas de Deux and Western Symphony.* See feature, page 29.

Beethoven and Chabrier are the featured festival composers and the peerless ***Borodin String Quartet*** begins its Beethoven quartet cycle *today.* ***Scottish Opera** offers Fidelio* tonight and Wednesday and Sir Charles *Mackerras conducts the Scottish* Chamber Orchestra and Chorus for Mozart's *Le Nozze di Figaro*. **Music Box** makes a welcome return with its usual late-night Festival sneak preview send-up. Chabrier starts on Thursday.

The first official theatre offering is **The Seven Streams of the River Ota**. Robert Lepage's newest creation, the first two-sevenths of a greater work (the rest to be presented in successive years). The River Ota runs underneath Hiroshima but the cultural references range across the 20th-century.

More theatre, from the many **Fringe** productions: *Henry VIII — Diary of a Serial Killer* is Natural Theatre Company's latest multi-style romp in which a modern royal and a Tudor monster search for the ideal wife. Talent spotters might want to stop off at any of the four programmes from the acclaimed National Student Theatre Company or at *Oliver!* from the National Youth Music Theatre.

The divine **Eartha Kitt** appears as Molly Bloom in a new production devised by Steven Rumbelow from James Joyce's character for two weeks only at Venue 46. Another sure to be great production is the Chinese State Circus at The Big Tops, The Meadows.

LONDON GALLERIES

Barbican: Who's Looking at the Family? (071-638 4141) ... **British Museum**: Jewellery of the Classical World (071-636 1555) . **Courtauld**: French Impressionist and Post-Impressionist paintings (071-873 2526) **Hayward**: Bonnard at Le Bosquet (071-928 8800) . **National Gallery**: *Friedrich to Hodler: A Romantic Tradition* (071-389 1785) .. **National Portrait Gallery**: Edwardian Women Photographers (071-306 0055) .. **Royal Academy**: The Belgian Avant-Garde: 1880-1900 (071-439 7438) .. **Serpentine**: Helen Chadwick (071-723 9072) . **Tate**: Turner's Holland; RB Kitaj (071-887 8000) ... **V & A**: Pugin: *A Gothic Passion* (071-938 8500)

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

■ House full, returns only
◩ Some seats available
□ Seats at all prices

◩ **BROKEN GLASS**: Strong performances from Margot Leicester and Henry Goodman in Arthur Miller's latest. An American Jewish couple in the 1930s, wanting to ignore the Nazi menace.
***National** (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1* (071-928 2252). Tonight, 7.30pm.

□ **PATSY CLINE**: Fifty Country and Gospel songs hung on the thin line of Cline's life. Sandy Kelly is a fiery singer but two and half hours is an awful lot of Country.
Whitehall, Whitehall, SW1 (071-369 1735). Mon-Thurs, 8pm, Fri and Sat, 5.30 and 8.30pm.

□ ***THE CRYPTOGRAM***: Lindsay Duncan and Eddie Izzard in Mamet's play about cryptic adult relationships tantalising but it is really a studio play.
Ambassadors, West Street, W1 (071-836 1171). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 5pm.

□ **GLENGARRY GLEN ROSS**: James Bolam and Ron Cook head the cast in Mamet's blistering account of the cut-throat world of Florida real-estate salesmen. Sam Mendes directs.
Donmar Warehouse, Earlham Street, WC2 (071-867 1150). *Mon-Sat, 8pm;* mat Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 4pm.

□ ***IN THE HEART OF AMERICA***: Powerful Naomi Wallace drama *exposing the macho attitudes that glory in giving pain, in and out of war.*
Bush, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (081-743 3388). Mon-Sat, 8pm. At least until Sept 3.

□ **KING LEAR**: Christopher Robbie has a hard act stepping into Robert Stephens's shoes in Adrian Noble's brilliant production.
Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight-Thurs, 7pm

□ **THE LADY FROM THE SEA**: Lindsay Posner's production of Ibsen's intriguing but awkward play is fitfully successful. Likewise Josette Simon — lovely and intense, but not quite hitting the mark.

Lyric, King Street, W6 (081-741 2311). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm; mat Sat, 4pm.

□ **LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN**: Another extravagantly set-dominated Wilde from Philip Prowse. Fine acting from Francesca Annis's mother with a past but otherwise a frail evening.
Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115). *Mon-Sat, 7.30pm; mats* Thurs and Sat, 3pm.

□ ***THE MIRACLE WORKER***: Jenny Seagrove and Catherine Holman as *teacher and blind, deaf pupil in a* touching, unmawkish production.
Comedy, Panton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045). Mon-Fri, 8pm; Sat, 8.15pm. Wed, 3pm from Aug 8; Sat, 5pm.

◩ **ROCKY HORROR SHOW**: Just when you thought it was safe to go out to the theatre, back comes Richard O'Brien's legend from another age, another realm, another sex.
Duke of York's, St Martin's Lane, W1 *(071-836 5122). Mon-Thurs, 8.15pm, Fri* and Sat, 6pm and 9pm

□ ***ST JOAN***: Imogen Stubbs as the soldier-saint in a production full of *mental passion, if you can overlook the* scenic ado. Peter Jeffrey is superb as the Inquisitor.
Strand, Strand, WC2 (071-930 8800). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 2.30pm

□ **THE SEAGULL**: Judi Dench rules the roost, heading a splendid cast in Pam Gems's new version. Performances cast new light on several other characters.

National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight and Tue, 7.15pm

◩ **THE SISTERS ROSENSWEIG**: Maureen Lipman, Janet Suzman and Lynda Bellingham star in Wendy Wasserstein's Broadway hit. Well acted, inspired by Chekhov, and the play itself displays skill, warmth and humour.
***Greenwich**, Crooms Hill, SE10* (081-858 7755). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm; mats Sat, 2.30pm. Until Sept 10.

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Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

NEW RELEASES

◆ **BABY'S DAY OUT** (PG): Wandering baby tries its kidnappers' patience. Stale, lazy comedy from the "Home Alone" stable, with Joe Mantegna and Lara Flynn Boyle. Director, Patrick Read Johnson.
MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Marble Arch** (0426 914501) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **West End** (0426 915574) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

◆ **TRUE LIES** (15): Schwarzenegger saves the world from Middle East terrorists. But what about his marriage? Overblown summer fun with Jamie Lee Curtis. Director, James Cameron.
Empire *(0800 888911)* **MGM Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

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BAD GIRLS (15): A silly Western with Madeleine Stowe, Andie MacDowell, Mary Stuart Masterson and Drew Barrymore. Director, Jonathan Kaplan.
MGM Panton Street (071-930 0631)

◆ **THE BEVERLY HILLBILLIES** (PG): Silly, acceptable big-screen revival for TV's favourite hicks with Jim Varney, Lily Tomlin and Dietrich Bader. Director, Penelope Spheeris.
MGM Trocadero *(071-434 0031)*

◆ **BEVERLY HILLS COP III** (15): Eddie Murphy's maverick cop returns in a middling, sanitised adventure. With *Judge Reinhold and Hector Elizondo.*
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◆ ***THE FLINTSTONES*** *(U)*: Hollow, noisy live-action treatment of the TV cartoon set in Stone Age suburbia, with John Goodman. Brian Levant directs.
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◆ **FOUR WEDDINGS AND A FUNERAL** (15): Mike Newell's Smart *social comedy with Hugh Grant and* Andie MacDowell.
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◆ **GETTING EVEN WITH DAD** (PG): Macaulay Culkin reforms his wayward *dad (Ted Danson). Botched family* comedy, directed by Howard Deutch.
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GYPSY (U): Visually impoverished version of the musical, with Bette Midler assuming Ethel Merman's role. With Cynthia Gibb, Peter Riegert. Emile Ardolino directs.
MGM Haymarket (071-839 1527)

THE LAST SEDUCTION (18): Enjoyably amoral tale of sex, power and $700,000, with Linda Fiorentino as the femme fatale to end them all. Director, *John Dahl.*
Barbican (071-638 8891) **Curzon West End** (071-439 4805) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098)

◆ **MAVERICK** (PG): Mel Gibson as the TV Western conman. Disappointing summer fun, with Jodie Foster and James Garner. Director, Richard Donner.
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◆ **NORTH** (PG): Whimsical misfire from director Rob Reiner, with Elijah Wood as the child searching the globe *for the perfect parents.*
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◆ **SIRENS** (15): Oxford curate and his wife mingle with Australia's bohemians. Joyful, luscious romp, with Hugh Grant, Tara Fitzgerald and Elle MacPherson. Directed by John Duigan.
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WILD TARGET (15): Featherweight French comedy, with Jean Rochefort as a meticulous hitman unhinged by love. Director, Pierre Salvadori.
MGMs: Chelsea (071-352 5096) **Swiss Centre** (071-439 4470) **Tottenham Court Rd** (071-636 6148)

ZERO PATIENCE (18): Well-meaning but cumbersome Canadian musical debunking Aids myths from adventurous director John Greyson.
MGM Piccadilly (071-437 3561)

THEATRE: Shakespeare in Oxford; Rodgers and Hammerstein in Bristol; rain in Brentford

Faithful unto death — and to Shakespeare

Romeo and Juliet
Oxford Playhouse

ON THE Playhouse's façade an enormous poster promises us "a tangle of love, hatred and death". That is, I suppose, as fair as advertising *Hamlet* as a tumult of treachery, ghosts and self-doubt or *Lear* as a muddle of evil, bad weather and batty old codgers. By such means maybe John Retallack's production will find an audience in Crawley, York, Stirling, Tokyo and the other places it is due to visit this autumn.

On the whole it deserves to do so. It is fluent and pretty well acted, yet refuses to play spurious games with the play. Those lured inside by the sensational slogans will find the Oxford Stage Company in black Elizabethan costumes and a text that, if they overlook the decision to chant the prologue and epilogue in close harmony, remains perfectly faithful to Shakespeare. The only trouble is that the production fails to deliver love, hatred and death with quite the fury the play demands.

That is a serious limitation, for only thus can *Romeo and Juliet* rise to tragedy instead of dwindling into a series of destructive accidents. We need to feel there is a wildness in the hot Italian air that causes some Capulets and Montagues to cut each other's throats and others to leap precipitately into one another's beds. That way, the deaths at the end can be directly blamed on human fault and flaw, not dismissed as the result of failure on the part of the Mantuan health authorities and the Veronan post office.

Neither Stephen Moyer's Romeo nor Tara Woodward's Juliet make you feel that (her words) their contract is rash and unadvised, nor is either of them particularly effective at expressing grief or woe. She tends to arch forward and become querulous and shrill, while he reacts less strongly to her death than would a modern Veronan to news of his side's defeat in the Italian league. Still, they are an attractive couple and much better when it comes to displaying mutual adoration. Moyer in particular has a warm, boyish charisma that should take him far.

Since this is a touring production, the set is simple, mostly a series of variations on one item of furniture, the Elizabethan table. Tables become a dance-floor on which Juliet makes her demure debut, a walkway to Lawrence's cell, a bed, a tomb, even a balcony which Moyer's would-be athletic Romeo treats as a blend of assault course and Alp. The fights are good, with John Higgins's red-headed Tybalt getting his throat snapped with a sickening click as well as his breast slit open. There is a lively if insufficiently violent Mercutio from Michael Higgs.

The publicity and programme suggest that Retallack's emphasis is to be the generation gap; but in only one respect is that especially obvious. Sam Bond's Paris is a middle-aged man with a retreating hairline and a strong sense of his own importance. This makes it hard to understand why he is called "gentle youth" and "boy", but easier to see why Capulet is so determined he will marry Juliet. It will be a big social step upwards, for this Paris is very much what Shakespeare says he is — the Duke's kinsman.

The narrative is clear, but the verse-speaking often less so. What, for instance, did Benvolio mean when he talked of "the farty Balt"? Was some awful bean-eating Latvian about to arrive in Verona? Alas no: the fiery Tybalt was his theme. The acoustics at Oxford Playhouse are muddy, but human error is more to blame. Speak up. Enunciate. Respect the rhythms. Only if the elementary rules are respected can anything as sophisticated as character hope to emerge.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE



Attractive couple: Tara Woodward (Juliet) and Stephen Moyer (Romeo)

All set for some good clean fun

Oklahoma!
Hippodrome, Bristol

SPANKINGLY clean yellow stetsons and boots to match. Bright blue and white check frocks with frilly aprons, petticoats and bloomers above button-up shoes. It's like *Little House on the Prairie* meets *The Wizard of Oz*. Rodgers and Hammerstein's romantic musical, in Christopher Renshaw's largely impressive touring production, is colour-coded. Optimistic Oklahoma is sunny and sky-blue from tip to toe. "There's a bright golden haze on the meadow," after all, as Curly the cowboy, sweet on Laurey, sings as he comes courting at the farmhouse where even disused machinery gets whitewashed.

The real-life turn-of-the-century settlers weren't so spotless. As the programme — not the glossy souvenir you might expect — valuably reminds one with extracts from diary entries of the period and histories of the West, Oklahoma was a land of struggle, and a territory stolen from the Indians whom the musical forgets to mention.

Oklahoma! itself, though it is happy-ever-after in the end, isn't without a dark side. It examines attitudes to women, from the adoring possessiveness of Will who wants Ado Annie to marry him, to the threatening obsessiveness of Jud, the hired hand who won't let Laurey go. As Jud becomes increasingly dangerous, the yellow and azure world of Oklahoma turns black and crimson.

Unfortunately Paul Leonard's Jud lacks menace. Richard Hudson's set, with its rapidly-receding perspective (echoes of *An Inspector Calls*), sets the alarm bells ringing. As the pretty-as-pie farmhouse disappears into the wings, Jud is left in the open fields, towering over a seemingly distant barn. At the charity auction which turns nasty, the ranch-house is a livid red interior, its clapboard walls twisting into a narrowing vortex.

But essentially life in Oklahoma is a showbiz bonanza. Cowboys burst into spontaneous dance routines. They carry off a ragtime number with delightful pizzazz. The orchestra lets fly with aplomb, and the cast are in fine voice, though I have to say I found myself sighing, blasted with such a forceful feel-good evening. Sarah Jane Hassell's Laurey sings with bell-like and unmannered clarity, and Peter Hilton's Curly gets the operetta element after an awkward start.

There's too much artificial acting and backneyed blocking. Dilys Laye, lovable Aunt Eller, is the only natural. Bonnie Langford's Annie plays to the audience unnecessarily. Really, it's the set that steals the show.

KATE BASSETT



There's a bright golden haze on the meadow for Peter Hilton's Curly

Going with the flow

Sohni Mahiwal
Watermans, Brentford

THE cloudburst that flooded the three Underground stations closest to Brentford looked like bad news for Watermans' big summer event: the show was due to begin with dancers floating past the theatre on pontoons.

But the rain stopped, and shortly before high tide two boats left the jetty with drums in one, harmonium and Indian flute in the other. Four dancers in their coloured pontoons took off their crimson shawls and danced.

Watermans has developed close links with Asian artists, and to create this version of the love story of Sohni, a potter's daughter, and Mahiwal, son of a nobleman, it also calls on the skills of performers from Africa and the Caribbean. Tuup, the African singer and storyteller, guided us through the tale with becoming gravity and charm.

The events of the story are soon told. Two families hoping for a child visit a holy man who picks two white lilies from a single stalk and gives one to each, warning them, however, that their children must never meet. No reason is given for this prohibition, and things might have turned out well enough for Sohni and Mahiwal, who inevitably do meet, if only the holy man had kept out of the way instead of barging in and repeating his warning. As it is they meet a watery grave in the River Chenab.

Still, it's the music and the dancing that count. Mahiwal (Karim Karim gracefully indicating puzzlement) meets Uzma Hameed (demure Sohni) at a festival, and again on market day, both occasions giving opportunity for comings and goings by troupes of dancers. Gary Crosby and the beaming Keith Waithe, both with strong jazz backgrounds, come up with great music, exhilaratingly played, notably by the Asian drummers. The direction by Harmage Singh Kaliray looked rough at the edges on the opening night, and the simulated deluge loosed its water at the wrong angle. But the multi-coloured, striped and spotted banners looked marvellous fluttering and turning in the breeze.

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Peter Ackroyd praises the revision of a classic biography but asks whether dwelling on sexual details may not be a formal mistake

Literary lives can do without sex

LYTTON STRACHEY
The New Biography
By Michael Holroyd
Chatto & Windus, £25

Who now recalls the virtues of 19th-century biography? In works such as Forster's life of Charles Dickens or Carlyle's life of Frederick the Great, the intimate details of private lives were altogether ignored in favour of heroic or romantic narrative. As Michael Holroyd says in his introduction to his own exemplary study, Lytton Strachey helped to change all that. In his anatomies of great Victorians he took the wax out of the fruit and lifted the antimacassar from the armchair. In the process such luminaries as Queen Victoria and General Gordon were lowered to earth with a resounding thud.

With the first publication of this biography in 1967, Holroyd performed a similar act of recovery or revival. It may seem paradoxical that the writer of such short lives was afforded so ample a life, but the truth was that Holroyd had a great deal to say. In particular he explored, with certain discreet changes of name, the nature of Strachey's homosexual amours; the names have finally been disclosed in this revised edition, but the damage — as some of the more censorious critics saw it at the time — had already been done.

It was possible in the Forties and Fifties of the present century to read lives which seemed to revert to mid-Victorian standards of gentility; they concentrated upon the exemplary lives of their subjects to the exclusion of sexual disclosure. After the publication of *Lytton Strachey*, however, such squeamishness became almost impossible to maintain. In recent biographies of Auden or Picasso or Wilde, for example, the most candid erotic detail is included.

But such an approach is not guaranteed to be successful. In his introduction Holroyd seems to assume that the virtues of (predominantly sexual) revelation outweigh any possible damage to the general reputation of the subject; in that sense he might be said to be the true heir of Strachey himself.

Reviewers who use the first person singular are not usually to be trusted (they tend to use "I" relentlessly, although it is not at all clear that they have a personality in the first place), but perhaps I can be allowed to introduce a personal note to this context. In my own biographies of T.S. Eliot and Dickens, I did not feel it necessary to repeat items of sexual gossip or innuendo which I had read or heard; nor did I speculate about what went on behind the closed door of the bedroom. This reticence will no doubt seem absurd to many people, if only on the ground that sex is not of much significance in any case. A man can be another de Sade, a woman another Messalina, without provoking the slightest criticism these days. So if Strachey made love to young men, what of it?


Jonathan Pryce as Lytton and Emma Thompson as Dora with Michael Holroyd on the set of *Carrington*

But what of this? The biographer is drawn to a subject because of that person's achievements; unless it is to be a pure exercise in debunking, the worth of the biographical subject is the primary reason for the writing of any life. That is why the great literary biographies have all the elements of a good story, in which the curve of a writer's reputation and career becomes the central movement around which everything else is arranged. To include the multifarious details of sexual adventures may be a formal or technical mistake: it may distract attention from the central narrative, and on occasions unbalance it altogether.

And why are sexual details considered to be of such significance in the first place? Do we have lists of food eaten in restaurants, of clothes worn on each occasion; do we compile the details of household chores or culinary skills? When Holroyd quotes with apparent approval a critic's remark that his biography was "post-Wolfenden", he may also be categorising his own work as part of that climate of liberalism and relativism which marked only a specific period in 20th-century history.

This is in no way to criticise the book itself, which is well worth its present revision and republication. It can be said that, almost single-handedly, Holroyd revived the reputation of "Bloomsbury"; for that reason alone he has contributed as much to English literary culture as Strachey himself. By treating his subject's homosexuality sympathetically, he encouraged a broader acceptance of that condition among what might be called a public library readership. The fact that he also started a fashion for very long biographies is perhaps not quite so signal an honour, although this reviewer is hardly in a position to condemn him out of hand.

There may be something to be said for Strachey's form of biography, however; following Johnson and Aubrey, he devised shorter lives in which the tone of the essayist is more important than that of the researcher or academic and when the formal skills of the narrator are considered to be as significant as the technical resources of the archivist. Holroyd's great achievement was to maintain that tone and style throughout a much longer narrative. The whole purpose of biography is to create a work of art which can be as convincing as fiction while remaining as substantial as history. There is only one difference: in fiction one is obliged to tell the truth, whereas in biography you are permitted — indeed often compelled — to make things up.

The work of reconstruction for this revised version of *Lytton Strachey* has been thorough and remarkable: Holroyd has deleted whole passages of narrative and criticism while at the same time interpolating passages which have not added to the length of the book. Of course, largely owing to the efforts of Holroyd himself, "Bloomsbury" has become something of an industry in recent years — so he has had to trawl through all the published autobiographies, memoirs, biographies, diaries and letters to find fresh information about his subject. In the process Strachey emerges as a more complex and convincing figure. He looked like a stick-insect and laughed like a hyena; yet beneath his perplexing and sometimes disagreeable demeanour, there was a true man and artist.

Holroyd's prose, in this second version, is as elegant as ever. He is also one of the few biographers who has retained a pronounced sense of humour. But his general and original achievement is still the most remarkable. He recounts the wealth of material put at his disposal by the Stracheys and others, but is too unassuming to mention the sheer intellectual rigour and architectonic skill necessary to create order out of that chaos. It requires the abilities of a novelist as well as the patience of a scholar. Holroyd has both; he is in large part responsible for the revival of biography as a literary form in the late 20th century.

It has also led the way to the filmic treatment of literary figures — including *Carrington*, which is to be based upon this book. We have entered a very different culture from that of Strachey and his friends, but it is the great virtue of Holroyd's biography that it returns them memorably to life.

As I was painting in St Ives, I met . . .

John Russell Taylor

THE COAT OF MANY COLOURS
By Sven Berlin
Redcliffe, £19.99

ST IVES, 1883-1993
Portrait of an Art Colony
By Marion Whybrow
Antique Collectors' Club, £19.95

When Sven Berlin published his transparently autobiographical novel *The Dark Monarch* in 1962, it was instantly suppressed under a hail of libel writs. He seems to have been surprised, even hurt. It was, after all, only the truth about St Ives artistic society as he had known it, rendered sometimes in the mode of savage farce.

Even today he seems to be smarting a bit: in the prologue to his new "autosvenography", published in his 84th year, after listing the sort of indiscretion and unkindness he is not putting in this time for simple, humane reasons, he adds grimly: "These are all things I wish to exclude, once having had the joy and humour and anguish of not excluding them and being faced with fierce reprisals afterwards . . ."

Fortunately this decision does not by any means make the book the mild, over-charitable meanderings of one who has found peace of mind, all passion spent. Berlin is, as he always has been, an awkward customer. He seems still to retain the illusion that great artists should also be nice guys, and if they are not their art must miss some elusive moral dimension.

He feels this about both Ben Nicholson (the "dark monarch" of the earlier book, who always had to have his own way) and Barbara Hepworth. They were both magnificently able, frequently kind and helpful to him, but they lacked something, even if "their lavatory seat was electric blue and lit by some device which seemed to make it float. So beautiful was the experience one was even frightened of farting."

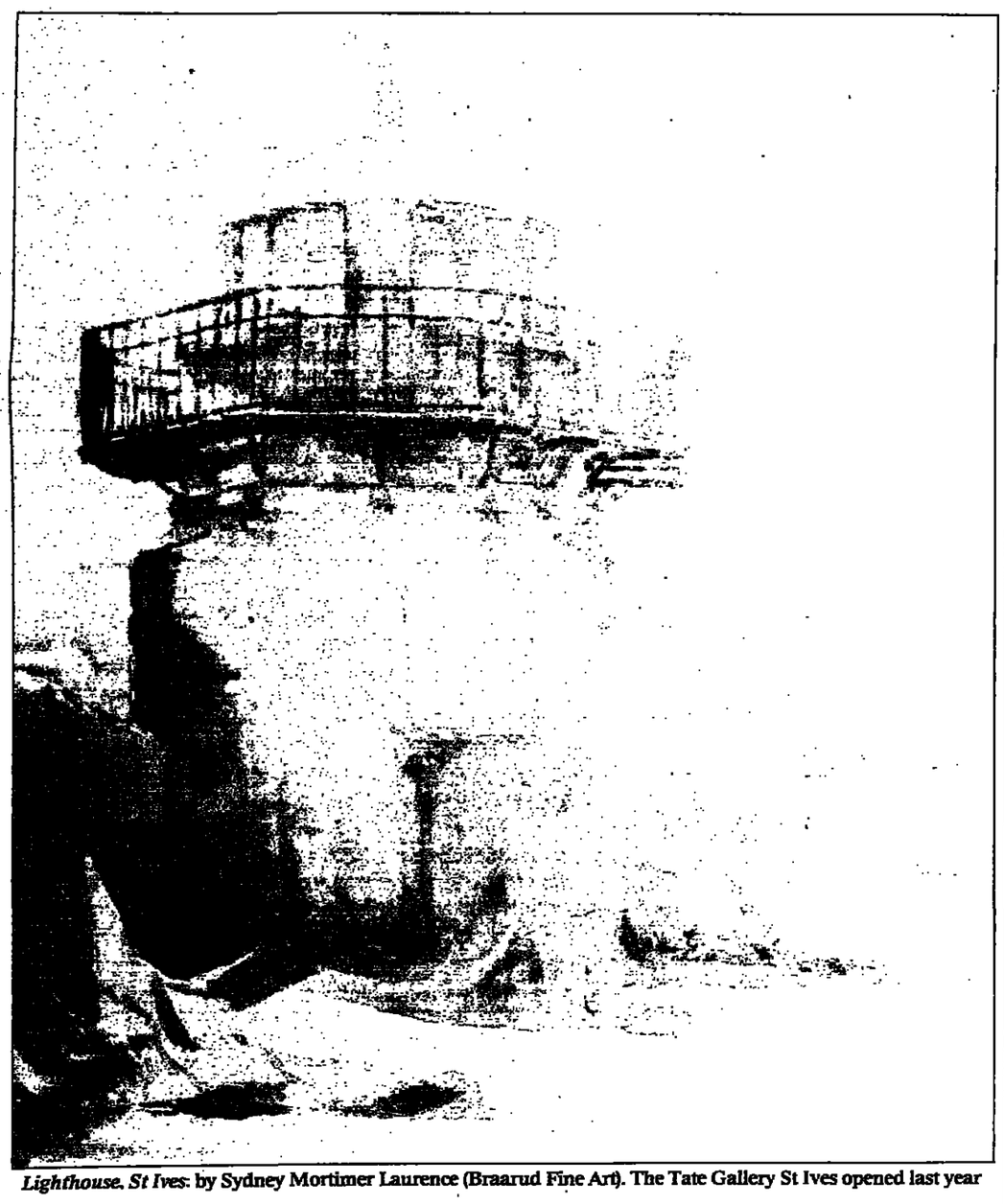
Curiously, these memoirs end in effect with his self-exile from St Ives in 1953: it is as though for all his reservations he feels that his St Ives years between being demobbed on VE-Day and his departure were the most vital and vivid in his whole long life.

And if that is so, who could blame him? The extraordinary characters of that epoch (who also include the printer Guido Morris, the potter Bernard Leach, and the ill-fated painter Peter Lanyon) shine out of these pages in all their eccentric bohemian glory.

Berlin himself is a curiously anachronistic figure: a sort of displaced Edwardian, with his slightly fustian style and reach-me-down mysticism, he is really much more like a contemporary of Augustus John (whom he knew) than of Dylan Thomas (with whom, he tells us, he once crossed swords in the Gents at the Gargoyle).

Maybe his viewpoint seems too bizarre to be taken seriously by modern historians of St Ives. But one could hardly ask for a more sober, sensible sifter of fact from fiction than Marion Whybrow, and if one reads up the background in her admirably researched *Portrait of an Art Colony*, it is largely to find that *The Dark Monarch* is, after all, frighteningly near the literal truth of the situation it describes.

Undoubtedly they were a queer and ruthless lot down in Cornwall in those days, and even Sven Berlin's hard- and lately-won charity cannot make them seem very much different. Great in spite of it? Ah, well, that is another story.


Lighthouse, St Ives: by Sydney Mortimer Laurence (Braarud Fine Art). The Tate Gallery St Ives opened last year

Generation in exile

Catherine Milton

LIFE AFTER GOD
By Douglas Coupland
Simon & Schuster, £8.99

AT 31 Douglas Coupland should have grown out of blaming his parents for his problems. Many people never do, of course. But when a man writes a book that perfectly captures the condition of middle class twentysomethings, as did *Generation X*, his readership will expect a certain wisdom. And surely no one could have predicted he would turn to God.

Coupland's latest work, *Life After God*, is a plaintive portrait of suburban youth betrayed by godless parents. This slim volume of short stories investigates the particular consequences for generation X of its secular upbringing and toys provocatively with the idea of God. In the story which gives the book its name, and addresses its theme most directly, Coupland explains that at first: "Life was charmed but without politics or religion. It was the life of the children of the children of the pioneers — life after God — a life of earthly salvation on the edge of heaven."

And in "Gettysburg", a tale of divorce, Coupland explains: "For so many years I lived a life of solitude and I thought that life was fine. But I knew that unless I explored a shared intimacy with someone else then life would never progress beyond a certain point." Faith turns to disillusion: ". . . one of my big concerns these past few years is that I've been losing my ability to feel things with the same intensity."

But back in the eponymous story, Coupland explains that people need faith, hence the need for God: ". . . we have religious impulses — we must — and yet into what cracks do these impulses flow in a world without religion?" He adds: "My secret is that I need God — that I am sick and can no longer make it alone."

He uses bleak humour effectively in stories of "beautiful little creatures who were all supposed to have been part of a fairy-tale but who got lost along the way". There is the story of Doggles, the dog who wore goggles and has a drinking problem: Squirrelly the Squirrel who has to give up art to support an unplanned pregnancy; and Clappy the Kitten whose dreams of stardom are dashed by debt.

Two conundrums are at the heart of these disenchanted stories. The first is that children who blame their parents cannot really get on with their own lives. The second is that if belief in God is a necessary vent for restless spirituality, then He cannot be Our Creator.

Plainly, even beautifully written, in an achingly nostalgic present tense, *Life After God* is thought-provoking but profoundly pessimistic. The book succeeds in conveying sadness but may miss its mark as surely as *Generation X* was bang on target. Coupland offers only unresolvable problems to a generation which understands its predicament and now wishes to consider solutions.

Croydon Man has a ball

Ian McIntyre

MAJOR MAJOR
Memories of an Older Brother
By Terry Major-Ball
Duckworth, £12.95

With things a bit slack during the silly season, the Literary Editor recently connived at a spot of moonlighting for *The Sunday Times* Insight team. This allows me to disclose that Jeffrey Archer's activities as popular novelist and Tory Chairman-Over-the-Water are — I had long suspected it — an elaborate front.

I can now reveal that Lord Archer spends much of the working week at a rather *louche* address south of the river, operating as a member of a high-powered and politically motivated writers' commune. Other members include Dame Barbara Cartland, Henry Root, the BBC's David Coleman and Eddie the Eagle.

I can further reveal that they have succeeded in infiltrating the lists of many prominent publishers — the volume under review is only the latest in a whole string of subversive coups. The group's work is never quite what it seems. Some will see this new offering as a pastiche of *The Ballad of Peckham Rye*, others may detect echoes of *Le Grand Meaulnes*.

It will not take *Times* readers long to tumble to the fact that it is not really an autobiography at all but a picaresque novel. The illustrations, it is true, include a picture of the Prime Minister feeding pills to an ailing hamster called Christine, who had developed animal dropsy, but the introduction of real-life characters into works of fiction has enjoyed quite a vogue recently. (This was one of the clues to Lord Archer's involvement.) Another illustration shows the "author" himself as a young man standing on the prom at Eastbourne; he looks exactly like Tony Blair.

The storyline is clear and uncluttered. Terry Major-Ball, the son of a trapeze artist and garden gnome manufacturer, is discovered watching television at his home near Croydon. He is in an emotional state, because his younger brother is about to become the leader of a political party. He cannot remember the exact words he used by way of congratulation on the telephone, but his wife offers even money that he said, "Nice one, John. Mum and Dad would have been proud of you."

We then go into a long sequence of historical flashbacks, mainly about Mum and Dad. Dad's life was adventurous. Arriving in Uruguay during a civil war, he temporarily loses his passport. Confusion over his name leads to his being mistaken for a military man; he is drafted into one of the opposing armies; resourcefully, he marches his men out of town and dismisses them.

The scene shifts to the English Midlands. Dad is now touring the halls and has married, *en seconds noces*, the lady who is to become Terry's Mum. So mum does he keep about this happy event, however, that he scandalises his Smethwick landlady; there follows a Hogarthian scene in which the blushing bride is refused breakfast in the conjugal bed until she produces her marriage certificate.

As in all the best picaresque novels, there is a rich blend of character, incident and philosophic reflection. I rather took to Miss Fink, library supervisor in Worcester Park, who had long manicured nails and smoked Passing Cloud cigarettes. I admired a deft cameo of the editor of *The Sunday Telegraph*: "How would Charles Moore fare on the trapeze, I wonder, if he hadn't decided to pursue a more disreputable profession?"

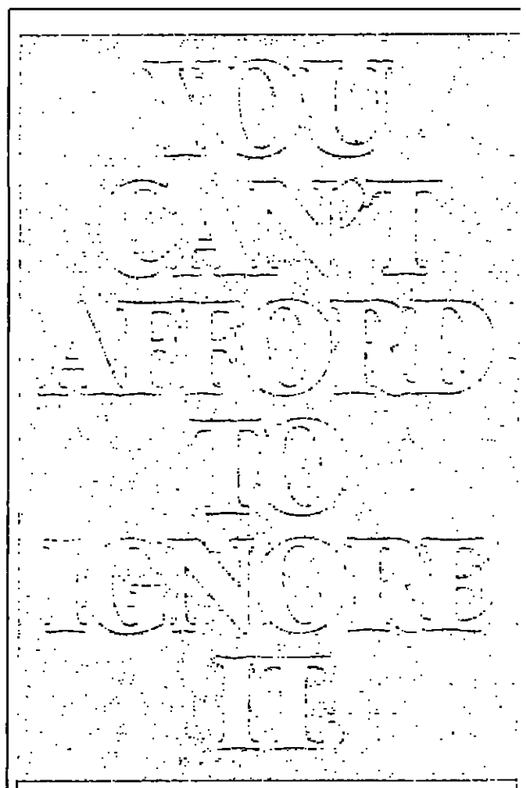
picture you might buy in a gallery in Croydon?"

In the last chapter, our hero is whisked off to the New World by Virgin Atlantic. By the time he reaches New York he is well and truly in orbit and ready to take on all-comers: "Seeing Rodin's *Burghers of Calais*, I was prompted to recall my own modest efforts to capture the human form while making garden ornaments."

This book will send waves of panic through the Labour Party. A few weeks ago they were coasting to victory behind Tony Booth's son-in-law. Now that card has been sensationally trumped. Big brother has served up a masterpiece of black propaganda. Major Major has equipped Major Minor with the *Mein Kampf* for his classless society — and provided enough raw material to keep Peter Brookes happy through the third, fourth and fifth Major administrations.

Nice one, Terry. Mum and Dad would have been proud of you.


His is an orange juice: Mr Major-Ball joins the jet set



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93.60	Wainhomes	146	-11	...	3.6	15.6
37.90	Ward Hldgs	27	- 4	...	0.9	...
1.49	Waterhouse	56	-15	...	...	...
107.10	Wates Blake	515	- 5	...	2.9	22.1
105.70	Westbury	162	- 5	...	4.1	18.1
24.90	Wiggins	6	...	...	...	...
35.70	Wilson Bowden	298	...	...	2.9	15.0
402.40	Wilson (C)	212	- 2	...	2.6	20.7
573.90	Wimpey G	159	- 2	...	4.1	27.6
2.90	YRM	22	- 5	...	...	...

BUILDING, ROADS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
62.00	Abbey	160	- 5	...	1.9	∞
10.10	Albrighton	14 †	- 4	...	4.5	13.1
1,401.20	Amec	158	- 4	...	3.2	10.3
236.00	Amec	117	- 1	...	3.2	56.3
124.90	Ashtead	414	+12	...	1.7	∞
124.30	Ayrmouth	116	- 6	...	5.4	...
1,190.40	BPB Ind	323 †	+14	...	3.1	22.5
54.40	Baggeridge Brk	137	...	...	2.9	25.9
2.55	Bailey (Benj) Con	34	...	...	2.9	30.8
4.30	Barcrom	23	+ 3	...	9.5	2.8
234.20	Bardon	430	+ 5	...	5.8	...
348.10	Barratt Devs	192	- 6	...	3.1	30.6
453.90	Beazer Homes	154½	- 2½	...	4.0	13.6
212.20	Bellway	217	...	...	3.9	20.4
19.00	Bellefield	42	...	...	...	...
325.50	Bertford Ind	219	- 6	...	...	...
324.80	Berkeley Gp	420 †	- 3	...	2.1	17.5
26.20	Ben Bros	175	...	...	2.0	8.7
17.40	Blockleys	70	...	...	1.4	...
2,268.20	Blue Circle	312	- 8	...	4.5	26.3
79.60	Boot (Henry)	305	...	...	2.7	15.5
11.00	Brandon Hire	78	+ 8	...	2.5	∞
25.30	Breedon PLC	80	+ 2	...	6.5	25.8
24.90	Br Dredging	140	...	...	5.0	17.9
20.70	Brit Ffdings	87	...	2.0	2.9	∞
428.00	Bryant	153	- 4	...	3.9	23.3
52.90	CALA	123	...	...	2.6	...
1,301.60	CRH	371	- 9	...	2.6	18.8
2.20	Cakebread Rby	47	...	...	...	...
150.20	Costain	29	...	...	...	...
116.70	Countryside	152 †	+ 2	...	3.4	33.7
99.40	Cren Nicholson	190	+ 2	...	2.2	16.6
19.40	Cuscins	109	+ 5	...	3.4	13.2
12.70	Edmond Hldgs	25	...	...	1.5	...
65.90	Epwin	305	+ 1	...	3.1	30.1
32.90	Erith	68	+ 1	...	1.8	38.8
35.60	Eve Groups	363 †	-10	...	3.8	∞
12.40	Galliford	80 †	...	...	5.4	...
1.60	Gibbs & Dandy	82	+ 4	2.5	3.4	∞
57.20	Gleeson (M.J)	863	...	...	1.8	15.1
216.70	Graham Grp	189	- 7	...	3.0	18.1
304.30	Hewden-Stuart	159	- 2	...	2.2	27.3
6.95	Hewetson	75	...	...	2.1	...
352.90	Heywd Wtm	368	+ 2	...	4.4	24.5
93.60	Higgs & Hill	98	- 1	...	3.5	...
16.30	How Gp	29	- 2	...	2.4	...
2.15	Howard Hldgs	28	+ 3	...	3.7	∞
192.90	Hunlock	72	...	...	1.6	...
3.34	Jarvis	9½	...	...	...	...
72.80	Keller	130	+ 5	...	3.6	15.1
126.90	Laing (J)	590	+ 4	...	3.8	21.3
47.00	-do- 8.4% Cv Pf	157	...	...	8.0	...
11.50	Ln Chydesdale	127	...	...	4.7	17.6
21.10	Lovell (T)	70	...	...	2.9	...
138.20	Manders	348	- 2	...	3.6	18.3
42.60	Marley	195	- 1	...	2.2	27.0
174.10	Marshalls	343 †	+ 4	...	3.7	17.5
61.20	Maunders (J)	245	+ 2	...	2.7	23.0
141.70	McAlpine (A)	305	-10	...	4.0	30.1
47.00	McCarthy & S	58	+ 1	...	1.1	...
544.20	Meyer Int	411 †	+ 9	...	3.1	18.6
169.40	Mowlem (J)	97	+ 1	...	2.6	...
64.90	NSM	108	...	...	...	12.4
6.20	Needler A	13	...	...	...	...
207.90	Newman Tnks	172	+12	...	4.5	23.1
396.30	Pentlamun	175	+ 4	...	4.4	22.7
4.53	Phoenix Timber	13	...	...	...	...
16.10	Pochins	1590	-50	29.0	2.4	22.0
102.40	Prowting	132	...	...	3.3	40.6
1,146.00	RMC Gp	967	-41	...	5.2	17.3
129.80	Raine Ind	78	+ 1	...	3.8	15.0
6.00	Ramsdn	25	...	...	...	...
2,777.10	Redland	508	+ 8	...	5.8	28.1
14.20	Rmbrd	98	...	4.3	5.7	...
908.60	Rugby Group	143	- 4	...	3.0	19.3
5.53	Secure Sture	35	...	...	...	...
10.00	Swtfld-Rees	84	...	0.5	1.0	∞
29.70	Shartle & Fisher	192	+12	...	2.7	21.0
192.90	Sheffield Ind	282	- 8	...	2.9	21.0
35.90	Sheriff Hldgs	342 †	+12	...	1.6	22.6
4.70	Shorrock	151	...	5.2	4.3	37.3
21.50	Smart (J)	215	+ 2	...	4.9	18.5
5.58	Starmin	11½	...	...	...	...
1,297.90	Tarmac	152	- 7	...	4.5	...
47.60	Tay Homes	163	+ 8	...	4.6	17.5
139.50	Taylor Woodrw	135½	- 7	...	1.4	33.6
202.50	Tilbury Douglas	309	+ 1½	...	6.9	62.9
5.75	Torex Hires	56 †	+ 3	...	2.0	...
325.90	Travis Perkins	319	+ 4	...	3.1	25.7
19.80	Trencherwood	19	...	...	...	...
17.30	Tng Group	25	...	...	2.5	...
2.75	Tudors	5	...	...	1.2	...
47.40	Ultraplant	103	...	...	4.5	∞
93.60	Wainhomes	146	-11	...	3.6	15.6
37.90	Ward Hldgs	27	- 4	...	0.9	...
1.49	Waterhouse	56	-15	...	...	...
107.10	Wates Blake	515	- 5	...	2.9	22.1
105.70	Westbury	162	- 5	...	4.1	18.1
24.90	Wiggins	6	...	...	...	...
35.70	Wilson Bowden	298	...	...	2.9	15.0
402.40	Wilson (C)	212	- 2	...	2.6	20.7
573.90	Wimpey G	159	- 2	...	4.1	27.6
2.90	YRM	22	- 5	...	...	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
930.30	ADT	670	-10	...	...	...
16.70	Adam & Harvey	450 †	- 5	...	4.3	∞
5.56	Air Londons	63	...	...	0.8	13.8
3.48	African Lakes	93	+ 1	...	1.2	...
111.00	Auto Sec	98	- 2	...	...	...
1,121.40	BET Ord	130	- 1	...	3.4	20.0
56.90	BNB Res	130	+ 3	...	2.6	20.1
59.20	BPP	125	+35	...	5.0	16.2
42.30	BSM	152	...	...	4.6	12.9
33.60	Barrow Inders	198	- 1	...	3.5	∞
9.47	Black & Edge	11½	...	...	...	...
43.70	Brit Data Mgt	170	+ 1	4.9	5.4	13.0
4.30	Broadcastdata	21½	...	...	4.6	12.8
5.31	Brooks Service	23	...	...	2.2	...
62.80	CET Gp	96 †	...	...	4.2	∞
69.80	Capita Group	167	- 3	...	2.1	21.1
57.50	Cassel Plc	245	- 2	...	6.1	11.5
24.50	Chiltern Capital	50½	-14	...	1.5	42.5
14.20	Christie	61	+ 6	...	...	...
436.50	Chubb Sec	335	+ 1	...	2.2	22.0
31.40	Corp Service	97	- 1	...	0.5	21.4
39.40	Comm Credit	59	...	...	...	...
25.20	Dort	157 †	+ 1	...	2.1	16.1
240.40	Davis Service	235	+10	...	4.2	16.6
33.20	EW Facs	122	...	...	4.9	9.2
20.40	Gardiner	19	+ 1	...	5.0	5.9
1,218.50	Hays	391	- 2	...	2.3	20.7
171.60	Hoare Rotaburn	218 †	+ 9	...	3.6	17.2
12.90	Homes Protectn	29	+ 1	...	...	1.8
11,122.00	Huren Wtamp	2060	+ 6	...	1.8	21.7
387.90	IPC B Dfr	2762	-165	...	4.0	2.6
2,558.90	Inchcape	680	-11	...	3.9	15.3
52.20	JBA Hldgs	132	- 2	...	1.9	16.1
139.90	Johnson Clean	284	-14	...	4.8	11.4
43.80	Ley	91	...	...	...	...
30.20	Mule Gp	336	+ 1	...	1.7	∞
1,196.60	Manpower	1696	+ 6½	...	0.8	...
51.40	Michael Page	99	+ 1	...	2.1	21.1
84.20	Paon	118	...	...	1.7	24.3
4.10	Pennine	95	- 2	...	9.9	...
61.30	Proudfoot	95	+ 3	...	2.7	19.1
93.10	RCO	310	...	...	6.2	10.6
9.31	REA	120 †	...	...	8.3	45.9
76.30	Reed Executive	140	- 8	3.0	2.9	...
29.90	Reliance Secs	128	...	...	4.7	∞
2,373.10	Rentokil	257	- 2	...	1.9	24.4
22.90	Rolfe & Nolan	188	-13	...	3.7	30.2
813.90	Salvesen (C)	381	- 8	...	3.6	14.7
1.48	Scott Penfords	57 †	+ 4	...	2.0	∞
25.80	Select Appts	13	...	...	...	...
171.10	Serco Gp	259	- 5	...	1.5	24.7
7.93	Sherard Cmpn	120	+13	...	1.7	...
96.00	Sketchley	101	- 2	...	3.0	16.1
78.50	Warner Howard	330	...	...	2.6	15.1
38.80	Wills Gp	27	...	...	2.5	14.7

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
774.40	Allied Colloids	147	- 4	...	2.0	25.6
985.6	Amersham	1010	-26	...	1.9	21.4
20.70	Anglo Dtch	21	...	...	...	...
7,297.70	BASF DM	1153	-400	...	7.6	...
429.10	BTP	319 †	- 5	...	3.9	30.2
10,216.90	Bayer DM50	1152	+184½	...	6.0	...
91.20	Blagden	128	+ 1	...	1.5	9.9
84.40	Brent Chems	125	- 1	...	4.0	...
165.90	Brit Biotech	389	-35	...	...	...
4.29	Caird Gp	7½	...	...	...	20.8
55.50	Carnaug (W)	108	- 2	...	4.6	33.6
2,119.50	Courtaulds	527	-14	...	3.5	42.5
499.00	Croda	378	+ 8	...	4.1	10.8
19.10	Deeley	95	...	...	2.1	...
229.50	Ellis & Everard	272 †	- 2	...	3.5	∞
16.70	Euro Colour	55	...	...	2.6	19.8
109.30	Halstead (J)	362	+ 1	...	2.3	18.9
293.50	Hickson	168	+ 3	...	6.1	15.9
8,038.10	Hoechst	5146	+103	...	3.2	20.0
296.70	Holliday Chem	247	+10	...	4.1	68.1
610.8	ICI	345 †	- 5	...	3.2	21.8
1,558.50	Laporte	803	+ 9	...	3.3	20.3
149.80	Lesh	257	+ 7	...	4.4	...
27.50	MTM	74	- 1	...	...	...
4,517.10	Norsk Hydro	2409½	- 3½	...	1.4	∞
121.70	Paterson Zoch	498	+ 1	...	3.3	12.1
110.90	Plysu	182	...	...	4.6	27.0

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
47.70	Ponair	310	...	...	1.7	23.3
27.10	Satellite Speak	49	- 1	...	1.3	25.2
97.10	Wardle Storeys	390	+10	...	5.5	20.4
54.00	Wisnmtime R	738	+15	...	3.0	18.4
196.90	Yorks Chem	430 †	+17½	...	2.4	20.4
352.40	Yule Catto	324	+16	...	2.4	24.6
7,798.30	Zeneca	828	+15½	...	4.3	16.4

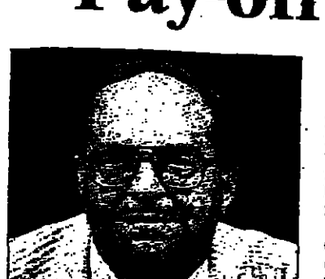
DRAPERY, STORES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
240.20	Alders	223 †	+ 6	...	3.3	17.4
1,121.60	Argos Plc	574	+ 9	...	2.7	20.1
169.10	Ashley (Laura)	72	...	...	8.2	...
251.30	Asprey	314 †	- 1	...	2.4	15.5
71.10	Austin Reed	230	...	...	3.0	12.9
65.40	Beagle (J) 'A'	140	+ 2	...	5.5	15.1
51.50	Bemalls	123	+ 1	...	3.6	46.3
89.50	Bentorware	83	- 2	...	3.9	9.0
14.30	Blacks Leis	45	- 3	...	6.5	∞
462.10	Body Shop	344	+ 4	...	1.0	22.9
5,538.10	Boots	532 †	+10	...	3.5	21.0
23.90	Brown & Jackson	7½	- ½	...	...	...
356.20	Brown (N)	244	+ 2	...	3.0	27.4
836.40	Burton	599	- ½	...	3.2	...
29.00	Cantors	192	...	...	2.6	26.1
52.20	Church	483	...	...	3.4	27.7
16.50	Clinton Cards	97	...	...	6.1	8.4
1,560.00	Coats Viyella	225	+ 3	...	4.4	19.7
27.80	City Cabinets	165	...	...	3.0	14.8
161.20	Coates Furnish	271	+ 5	...	1.9	39.0
2.72	Crown Eyes	170 *	+ 1½	...	7.0	∞
1,658.30	Daisy Farm Intl	97½	- ½	...	3.8	13.3
169.00	Dewhirst (J)	137	- ½	...	1.4	24.2
809.40	Dixons Grp	202 †	- 2	...	4.7	26.0
10.70	ERA Gp	8½	...	...	...	...
9.50	Eclipse Blinds	8½	+ 2½	...	3.5	...
6.96	Ely (Wimblsn)	580	...	17.0	3.7	∞
22.90	Essex Furn	200	- 3	...	2.5	25.0
193.90	Etam	200	+ 9	...	3.2	21.8
398.80	Fine Art Dev	301	-11	16.3	3.6	15.5
2.74	Fired Earth	48	...	...	...	...
16.50	Formintster	720 †	+ 8½	...	2.8	∞
31.20	French Conn	196	- 5	...	...	11.0
20.20	Gent Sh	56	+ 1	...	5.0	17.4
21.60	Goldsmiths Gp	112 †	- 4	...	1.2	20.1
3,243.70	GUS	561	-12	...	2.9	16.2
42.30	Hamleys	185	...	...	5.2	17.8
3.44	Hampden Grps	20	- 1	...	5.4	...
55.00	Harristone	17 †	...	...	2.4	...
3.11	Herltage	55	...	...	...	...
65.40	Beatware	83	- 2	...	4.8	15.2
14.30	Hornby	70	- 3	...	4.3	...
11,984.10	Marks Spencer	430	+ 6	...	2.7	20.0
322.60	Mercies (John)	282	+12	...	2.8	20.6
54.40	Moss Bros	326	- 1	...	2.7	15.9
960.80	Next	358	- 1	...	2.7	19.2
18.00	Oliver (G)	71	...	...	...	76.9
1,443.40	Ortdlume Ind	270	+ 6	...	4.9	∞
60.60	Pentos	24	...	...	...	...
67.20	Ofs Hldgs	170	...	...	3.8	20.0
26.00	Rhino Grps	31	...	...	2.0	11.2
31.40	Rosetys	350 †	...	...	3.7	18.0
128.80	Sherwood Gp	115	- 1	...	3.2	11.1
462.10	Sears	123	+ 2	...	3.7	20.9
87.20	Signet Group	209	+10	...	3.4	35.8
1,345.60	Smith (WH)	483	-14	...	3.9	15.6
2.02	Spectrolyse	4	...	...	...	...
914.80	Storehouse	220	- 5	...	3.1	19.6
118.90	T & S Stores	186	+10	...	4.1	13.8
73.30	Tie Rack	142	+ 3	...	1.5	16.9
125.60	Time Products	257	+10	...	4.5	18.2
7.34	Usher (Frankie	106	- 1	8.0	7.1	11.5
3,467.00	Vendome	486 †	- 2	...	1.4	∞
19.90	Vinyl	36	+ 2	...	4.3	9.3
52.90	WEW Group	36	...	...	2.8	13.3
5.84	Wensums	78	- 1	...	3.2	27.5
345.40	Wickes	93	- 4	...	1.8	20.8
7.79	Wild st Leathers	97	+ 6	...	...	...
53.20	Wyevale	139	...	...	4.0	14.7

ELECTRICALS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
228.20	ACT Group	123 †	- 5	...	5.3	11.5
53.30	Acal	270	+ 1	...	3.1	17.3
73.50	Admiral	645	+11	...	1.3	19.5
99.80	Alba	162	+ 1	...	3.3	15.5
10.30	Alphameric	38	...	...	...	29.0
191.80	Amstrad	33	...	...	1.9	...
22.30	App Holog	101	- 5	...	...	...
33.30	Arlen	30	...	...	...	...
283.90	Astec	92	- 8½	...	1.0	22.8
43.00	Azlan	197 †	-16	...	1.9	∞
29.20	Beales Hunter	265	+ 4	...	4.7	∞
99.60	Bicc	418	+ 3	...	5.8	30.0
152.10	Black	453 †	+ 4	...	3.0	17.4
241.40	Borland	650	+25	...	...	...
597.10	Bowthorpe	321	- 4	...	2.7	17.0
23,378.60	BT	375½	- 4	...	5.6	13.1
4,581.10	BT PrP	295½	- 5	...	5.6	13.1
193.90	Elan	200	+ 9	...	3.2	21.0
398.80	Fine Art Dev	301	-11	16.3	3.6	15.5
2.74	Fired Earth	48	...	...	...	...
16.50	Formintster	720 †	+ 8½	...	2.8	∞
31.20	French Conn	196	- 5	...	...	11.0
20.20	Gent Sh	56	+ 1	...	5.0	17.4
21.60	Goldsmiths Gp	112 †	+ 4	...	1.2	20.1
3,243.70	GUS	561	-12	...	2.9	16.2
42.30	Hamleys	185	...	...	5.2	17.8
3.44	Hampden Grps	20	- 1	...	5.4	...
55.00	Harristone	17 †	...	...	2.4	...
3.11	Herltage	55	...	...	...	...
65.40	Beatware	83	- 2	...	4.8	15.2
14.30	Hornby	70	- 3	...	4.3	...
11,984.10	Marks Spencer	430	+ 6	...	2.7	20.0
322.60	Mercies (John)	282	+12	...	2.8	20.6
54.40	Moss Bros	326	- 1	...	2.7	15.9
960.80	Next	358	- 1	...	2.7	19.2
18.00	Oliver (G)	71	...	...

Pay-off row fuelled by £2m for Reed chief



Davis: left after boardroom dispute

BY JON ASHWORTH

CONTROVERSY over big pay-offs for company executives is set to intensify this week, with confirmation that Peter Davis, former head of the Reed Elsevier Anglo-Dutch publishing group, is in line for a £2 million farewell package.

A lucrative pensions deal is expected to form the heart of the package, details of which will be announced this week. Mr Davis, who stepped down as co-chairman in June after a boardroom dispute, is also expected to receive about £700,000 in cash. In 1993, Mr Davis earned £456,592, and £180,000 in performance-related bonuses, according Reed's latest annual report. He has options on Reed shares worth upwards of £500,000.

This, the latest in a string of controversial "golden handshakes", ranks Mr Davis alongside Sir Ralph Halpern, former head of Burton Group, John Cahill, former head of British Aerospace, and Robert Horton, of Railtrack, when he left BP. It accompanies growing criticism of the salaries of senior water and electricity executives, and follows weekend comment by Michael Heseltine, President of the Board of Trade, that City institutions should apply collective pressure on boardrooms.

Mr Heseltine, speaking on Radio 4, said that there were "many examples" of senior executives receiving what appeared to be unjustifiably large compensation packages. He said: "I would personally like to see a much stronger role of shareowners acting to ensure these sort of practices are constrained."

It emerged last week that Bryan Weston, chairman of Manweb, the electricity distributor, is to retire from his two-days-a-week job with shares and options worth more than £1 million. Earlier this summer, John Bellak, of Severn Trent, took early retirement with a £512,000 package.

Sir Ralph negotiated a £2 million pay-off and an annual pension of £456,000 when he left Burton in 1990. Mr Horton is said to have collected £1.5 million when he left BP in 1992. Mr Cahill received $5 million, mainly in share options, when he left British Aerospace this year.

US poised for rate rise to head off inflation

BY COLIN NARBROUGH

AMERICA is set to tighten the monetary screw again this week, amid continued concern in Europe that other countries will soon be forced to follow Italy and Sweden and raise interest rates.

The surprise Italian and Swedish rate rises on Thursday failed to stop the lira and the krona falling sharply, which leaves the source of last week's market jitters intact.

But a widely expected wave of interest rate rises failed to materialise on Friday. Only Portugal upped rates, lifting its repurchase rate on seven-day funds by just over half a point, to 11.08 per cent.

Markets will this week focus on the US Federal Reserve. Wall Street analysts expect the Fed to signal the first interest rate increase for three months, to head off inflationary pressures. Forecasts centre on a quarter-point rise in the Fed funds rate, to 4.5 per cent.

The Fed's policy-making open market committee, which meets tomorrow, is faced with an economy that has grown by an average of more than 4 per cent in the past four quarters. The Fed is concerned that such growth cannot be sustained without nourishing inflation.

Nervousness that gripped European markets after the Swedish and Italian rate increases, triggering sharp falls in bond and stock markets, produced a flight to the mark, on the assumption that the Bundesbank had also reached the end of the run for interest rate cuts.

However, better-than-expected American inflation figures on Friday appeared to calm some European markets, most prominently London, where the view prevailed that Britain would be able to withstand any continental pressure for an immediate rate increase.

British inflation and earnings figures, out on Wednesday, are expected to confirm that inflation has not picked up yet, despite rising inflation expectations in industry.

The Bundesbank council, which meets on Thursday, might still have scope to nudge rates a little lower, given that German inflation is back under 3 per cent and the money supply outlook is improving.

Silvio Berlusconi, the Italian prime minister, sought at the weekend to mend a rift with Umberto Bossi, leader of the Northern League, one of his coalition partners. A reconciliation would help the lira by restoring political confidence.

The currency slumped to a record low of Ll,030 to the mark on Friday, despite Thursday's half-point rate increase, as speculation mounted that the coalition was on the point of breaking up.

The markets fear that political turmoil will prevent the Italian government from addressing the key issues of the budget deficit and public debt mountain, the same problems dogging Sweden.

Urban Bäckström, the governor of the Swedish central bank, issued a warning yesterday to Sweden's political leaders, currently locked in an election campaign, to give top priority to re-establishing long-term confidence in the management of state finances.

He said he had been surprised that the markets had been so taken aback by Sweden's interest rate increase, given the uncertainty about fiscal policy.

REPORTING THIS WEEK

Banking on £1.3bn from HSBC

INTERIM results from HSBC Holdings, the Hongkong and Shanghai bank group, should show a further rise in profits, thanks to the continuing recovery Midland, its British subsidiary, and at Marine Midland in America. The figures, out today, will prove less spectacular than those of British-based banks, but a rise of at least 13 per cent in pre-tax profits is expected, or 9 to 10 per cent before provisions.

The main worry is how far dealing profits have fallen from the £522 million achieved in the previous first half.

NatWest Securities forecasts group pre-tax profits of £1.3 billion. Smith New Court hopes for about £50 million more. Ian Poulter, of Yamaichi, expects £1.3 billion and an interim dividend of 7.85p.



The boat should be coming in for Sir William Purves, head of HSBC, owner of Midland Bank

TODAY

A measure of High Street recovery will come in interim results from **Argos**. Savvas Savouri, of Crédit Lyonnais Laing, expects the retailer to have boosted first-half pre-tax earnings to £16.6 million, from £13.2 million.

NatWest, worried that the annual meeting was warned of a slowdown, is looking for pre-tax profit of £14.7 million.

Interims: Alliance Trust, Argos, HSBC Holdings, London Industrial (Q1), Malaya, Midland Bank, Regal Hotel, Relyon, Serif, Takare, US Smaller Companies Investment Trust. **Finals:** Epwin, Huntingdon International (Q3).

TOMORROW

Third-quarter figures for **Hanson**, the Anglo-American conglomerate, should provide some evidence of recovery in the US. Hanson is expected to announce pre-tax profits of just under £300 million for the quarter, up from £256 million. Analysts expect a rise in dividend to 3p, from 2.85p, though cash flow has been weak and many businesses in the group will not pick up until late in the economic cycle.

Interims: Cantab Pharmaceuticals, Cheshire Building Society, De Beers Consolidated, Evans Halshaw, Gold Fields South Africa, Irish Life, Kalon, Robert H Lowe, Micro Focus, Sedgwick. **Finals:** Angerstein Underwriting, Hanson (Q3), Impala Platinum, Ptico, Scantronics. **Economic Statistics:** Construction — new orders (June), CBI survey of distributive trades (July), UK acquisitions and mergers (Q2), public sector borrowing requirement (July), VAT registrations and deregistrations (93).

WEDNESDAY

After four difficult years, **BICC** stands to benefit from the upturn in the US and Europe. Improved demand in the US should show through and help to push interim profits of the cables and construction group from £51 million to nearer £60 million.

Interims: BICC, Britannic Assurance, Mercury World Mining Trust, North Midland Construction, Paribas French Investment Trust, Rea Brothers, Rosebys. **Finals:** Aitken Hume International, Armitage Bros, Dunedin Japan Investment Trust. **Economic statistics:** Labour market statistics: unemployment and unfilled vacancies (July, provisional); average earnings indices (June, provisional); employment, hours, productivity and unit wage costs; industrial disputes; long-term unemployment (quarterly analysis of unemployment by age and duration), retail prices index (July).

THURSDAY

Improvement in existing businesses should help **Dawsongroup**, the contract hire group, to take interim profits past £4 million, from £3.5 million. Fledgeling rental operations in The Netherlands have not yet had any effect.

Interims: City Centre Restaurants, T Clarke, Dawsongroup, English & Scottish Investors, Kode International, Moorfield Estates, Persona, Richardsons Westgarth. **Finals:** BBB Design Group, Stanelco, Syndicate Capital Trust. **Economic statistics:** Retail sales (July), motor vehicle production (July), building societies' July figures, banks' July statement, provisional estimates of M4 (July).

FRIDAY

Interims: Thomas Jourdan. **Finals:** Lazard High Income Trust. **Economic statistics:** Balance of non-EU trade (July).

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Car traffic curbs are solution to pollution

CAR traffic in Europe in 2010 will be 50 per cent higher than at the start of this decade, and goods carried by road will be up 60 per cent, unless a new policy framework is put in place, according to the DRI, the authoritative motor industry analysts. A report, *Air Pollution from Europe's Motor Vehicles*, out today, concludes that air pollution will lead to far-reaching measures to limit the impact of potential traffic growth, including higher fuel and vehicle tax, road-pricing and city-centre bans, which could cut overall fuel demand by 15 per cent by 2010. Without anti-pollution measures, DRI forecasts a 34 per cent rise in fuel consumption over the same period.

The report predicts continued growth in market share for diesel-engined cars, rising to 25 per cent by 2010 from the current 12 per cent. This development is foreseen causing refining imbalance that will require large investment in hydrocracking to correct.

SAS link takes off

RADISSON Hotels International, part of the Carlson group of Minneapolis, one of America's biggest privately-owned companies, has forged a global alliance with Scandinavian Airlines System (SAS), the Nordic carrier. SAS has sought to refocus on its core air transport business since its attempted merger with the Dutch, Swiss and Austrian national carriers was aborted. Under the agreement with Radisson, 30 SAS hotels in Europe, including London, the Middle East and China will have the Radisson named attached. In Europe, SAS obtains the exclusive right to develop Radisson hotels.

Cable video drive

FUJITSU and NEC Corp in Japan have separately started to develop a video-on-demand system, which will give cable TV subscribers the freedom to select and watch video programmes at any time, according to Japanese newspaper reports. The two are expected to become the first Japanese firms to develop such a system, a main feature of any multi-media service. NEC and Fujitsu are said to be planning to start experimental services through their cable subsidiaries from next year. Fujitsu expects to spend about 10 billion yen (£62 million) developing the project.

More pressure on names

LLOYD'S of London could force names who are not paying their debts into bankruptcy, a spokesman said. He said, however, that reports of 100 being chosen as scapegoats for bankruptcy proceedings, were premature, since the market's ruling council will only decide what form the pursuit of non-payers will take after they meet on September 14. Lloyd's is working out a debt collection strategy in a committee made up of Peter Middleton, Lloyd's chief executive, Stephen Hall, finance director, Bernard Bradford, NatWest former head of debt recovery, and Philip Holden of solicitors Dipp Lupton.

Export outlook bright

BRITISH exports face the best prospects for a decade and could transform Britain into an export-led, rather than consumer-led, economy, according to reports by two leading economists, out today. Trevor Williams, senior economist at Lloyds Bank, said a competitive labour market and the lower pound have combined to enable Britain to increase exports, despite slow growth in main markets. Professor Douglas McWilliams, economic adviser to the Chartered Institute of Marketing, forecasts exports will represent 36 per cent of the economy by 1997, up 8 per cent from 1992.

BICC wins HK order

BICC Cables, the European cablemaking arm of BICC, the cables and construction group, has won a £38 million order to supply power cables to Hong Kong Electric. BICC fought off competing bids to become the sole supplier. The first order is due next March, and the contract runs to the end of the decade. The cable will be made at BICC's factory at Wrexham, North Wales. The BICC Group clinched sales of £280 million in the Asia-Pacific region last year, and has set up BICC Asia-Pacific Cables, based in Singapore, to supervise expansion in the region.

TOURIST RATES

CHANGE ON WEEK

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.22	2.02
Austria Sch	17.99	16.49
Belgium Fr	53.04	48.64
Canada $	2.244	2.084
Cyprus Cypf	0.772	0.722
Denmark Kr	10.20	9.40
Finland Mkk	8.67	7.87
France Fr	8.75	8.05
Germany Dm	2.57	2.36
Greece Dr	378.00	353.00
Hong Kong $	12.60	11.50
Ireland Pt	1.06	0.98
Italy Lira	2545.00	2390.00
Japan Yen	170.00	153.00
Malta	0.617	0.562
Netherlds Gld	2.863	2.633
Norway Kr	11.20	10.40
Portugal Esc	258.00	239.50
S Africa Rd	REF.	5.50
Spain Pta	208.00	194.00
Sweden Kr	12.68	11.88
Switzerland Fr	2.17	1.99
Turkey Lira	REFER	48634.0
USA $	1.645	1.515

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques. Rates as at close of trading yesterday.

THE POUND

US dollar
1.5462 (+0.0047)
German mark
2.4062 (-0.0325)
Exchange index
79.1 (-0.3)
Bank of England official close (4pm)

STOCK MARKETS

FT 30 share
2469.2 (1.9)
FT-SE 100
3142.3 (25.2)
New York Dow Jones
3768.71 (+21.69)
Tokyo Nikkei Avge
20663.83 (+142.13)

WORD-WATCHING

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NEINEI

(a) A New Zealand shrub or small tree of the genus *Dracophyllum*, especially *Dracophyllum latifolium*, of the family Epacridaceae, distinguished by clusters of long, narrow leaves; also called *grass-tree*. The Maori word. "The wood of this flute is called *neinei*."

JUBJUB

(b) An imaginary bird of a ferocious, desperate and occasionally charitable nature, noted for its excellence when cooked. Invented by Lewis Caroll (C.L.Dodgson); perhaps a portmanteau word or formed after such representations of bird-cry as *jug-jug*. "Their common fear of the *Jubjub bird* is interesting. Philologically... Jubjub is a 'portmanteau bird' compounded of *jabber* and *jujube*... It flashed across me that the Jubjub was society itself."

CORDOBA

(a) The principle monetary unit of Nicaragua, equivalent to one hundred centavos. Name of H. de *Córdoba*, Spanish governor of Nicaragua, *floruit* 1524. *The Times*, 1955: "The International Monetary Fund has agreed to a change in the par value of the Nicaraguan cordoba from five to seven a United States dollar."

DYSPROSODY

(c) A speech disorder affecting inflexion, stress and rhythm, sometimes found in aphasic conditions. From the Greek *dys-* + *prosody* speech. "We're all so looking forward to your bad or ill + *prosody* speech. We so admire your fervour, your piety, your address. St Thérèse. We so admire your fervour, your piety, your dysprosody."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

1 Bxe6 fxe6 (not 1 ... Kxe6 2 Rld6 mate) 2 g4! and Black is defenceless against 3 Rld3 and 4 Rf3 mate.

Charter set to raise bid for Swedish welding group

BY COLIN NARBROUGH, WORLD TRADE CORRESPONDENT

CHARTER, the British industrial group, is today expected to increase its £260 million bid for Sweden's Esab, the world's largest welding equipment maker. It has admitted defeat in its attempt to reach the 90 per cent acceptance target it set for a full takeover.

After Friday's acceptance deadline had passed for the offer of 345 kronor per share, Charter said it would not make any announcement until today. But yesterday a spokesman conceded that reports from Stockholm that acceptances were well short of target were correct.

Stock market analysts in Sweden say that after Swedish institutional investors representing more than 20 per cent of Esab's voting capital rejected the Charter offer last week, small shareholders also turned against it. The main reason given for rejection was that it undervalued Esab, after the company's excellent first-half results and bullish forecast.

Charter is expected to announce the level of acceptances this morning. Details of its next move on Esab could follow later in the day.



Herbert: second attempt

Jeffrey Herbert, Charter chief executive, was assured before Friday's deadline of 53 per cent of the voting capital, comprising 49 per cent controlled by the Wallenberg industrial dynasty, and 5 per cent purchased in the market.

Esab's board, which recommended the bid, was reportedly surprised by the strength of opposition to the offer, and could review its position.

Charter, which unwound its cross-holdings with Anglo American, the South African group, last year, would double its size with the acquisition of Esab and add a new sector to its existing operations in mining equipment, railway products and building materials.

Post Office sale plan opposed

EIGHT out of ten sub-postmasters oppose the plan put forward by Michael Heseltine, the President of the Board of Trade, for breaking up and privatising the Post Office, according to a MORI poll conducted for the Union of Communication Workers (Colin Narbrough writes).

The opponents of the Heseltine plan want the Post Office network to be kept intact in the public sector, but allowed greater commercial freedom. Mr Heseltine's proposed separation of the Counters network from Royal Mail and Parcelforce is opposed by 51 per cent of the respondents from 501 sub-post offices polled between August 3 and August 10.

The survey indicates that four out of ten sub-postmasters believe prices would rise and post offices close under the Heseltine plan.

AT&T clinches $4bn deal in Saudi Arabia

FROM SEAN MAC CARTHAIGH IN NEW YORK

AT&T, America's largest long-distance telephone company, has beaten off competition from its international rivals to win a $4 billion contract from Saudi Arabia. It describes the venture as "the world's most extensive telecommunications project".

The work, to be carried out over a period of seven years, will double the number of telephone lines in the kingdom, bringing the total to 1.5 million. AT&T said these would be digital lines; 200,000 lines for mobile phones would also be installed. Saudi Arabia has a population of 17 million.

Robert Allen, AT&T's chairman, said the digital system would make possible faster data and information transmission. The project includes laying a 5,000-mile optical fibre network and converting the existing microwave network to digital technology.

The deal was signed by Mr Allen and Alawi Darwish Kayyal, the Saudi Minister for Posts, Telegraphs and Telecommunications, in Riyadh at the weekend.

AT&T won the contract against competition from other telecommunications groups, including Germany's Siemens, Alcatel of France, Northern Telecom of Canada and a joint offer from Ericsson of Sweden and Japan's NEC Corporation.

Mr Kayyal said components for the system would be manufactured in Saudi Arabia by a partnership between AT&T and International Systems Engineering.

The new network would generate an estimated $9.8 billion in revenue over the next seven years and would be self-financing. "We will spare the government the burden of financing problems," he said.

Busier factories will lift inflation expectations

GILT-EDGED

The recent rise in Swedish interest rates, nominally to bear down on inflationary pressures, has refocused attention on the need for the UK to follow suit. With the current pace of UK activity seemingly to continue, any slack remaining in the economy is set to be reduced further, cutting the scope for continued low-inflationary growth. Extra attention is being paid to the size of the output gap — the extent to which actual output deviates from its underlying trend.

Determining the size of the output gap is difficult, since it is impossible to gauge exactly how much capacity was lost in the last recession. The IMF and the OECD suggested, at the end of 1993, that the gap was 5 per cent to 6 per cent.

Consider the statistical record. Recent CBI surveys have shown increased capacity utilisation rates in British manufacturing, leading to the risk of higher prices in response to increases in raw materials. Historically, this measure of capacity usage has tended to be a good leading indicator of inflation, by 18 to 24 months. Capacity utilisation is running 11 per cent below the level when the recession began. Moreover, manufacturing has recovered only about 60 per cent of losses recorded from the peak to the trough of the current cycle. Although these figures do not provide a precise estimate of the output gap, they suggest actual output lies below its potential level.

Overall, there are grounds to believe that spare capacity remains in the economy and that the output gap probably lies between 1.5 per cent and 2 per cent of GDP. Nevertheless, current downward pressure on inflation resulting from excess capacity in the goods and labour market will, at some point, start to moderate noticeably. Indeed, as indicated by the yield differential between conventional and index-linked gilts, longer-term inflation expectations have already risen rapidly. There is a significant risk of a pre-emptive 50 basis point hike in base rates in the final quarter of 1994 to forestall any pick-up in inflation as the economy grows.

Market feeling seems to favour September for this hike, but we expect the Government to wait until after the Conservative conference in October. Judging by the interest-rate structure in the UK money market, a hike of 1 per cent by the year's end (and a further 2 per cent by the end of 1995) is largely discounted in the short end of the gilt curve. Reality is likely to be slightly different, given fiscal tightening already in place for next year and the current size of the output gap. Moreover, the gilt market has discounted even sharper rate hikes throughout the late 1990s. Our calculations suggest that long-term underlying inflation of about 5.5 per cent would be needed to justify the current structure of the intermediate sector of the gilt market. This is far too high. Overall, there is room for medium- to long-dated UK yields to fall in net terms from current levels, despite a hike in rates, given the extent of interest-rate pessimism already priced into gilts. In particular, we see 10-year yields falling to 8.5 per cent over the next three months or so, against the 8.9 per cent prevailing at the time of writing. However, in the period immediately after any rate rise, we would be likely to see yields rise across the board, with the higher rates temporarily damaging market sentiment.

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Is this the end of the road for Wall Street?

Since the 1987 crash, at least 100,000 workers have left and more than a third of the office space is vacant, writes

Sean Mac Carthaigh

George Washington, cast declamatory in bronze and clad in a cape, thigh-hugging jodhpurs and knee-high boots, has seen them come and go. From his pedestal outside Federal Hall, where he was sworn in as America's first president in 1789, Washington has an unobstructed view of Wall Street and Broad Street. But he would probably prefer not to watch.

Once the most exorbitantly expensive strip of real estate on the planet, now more than a third of the office space in the financial district is vacant. Buildings that once appeared so proud and powerful are decorated now with red and yellow signs: "FOR RENT — WHOLE FLOORS" and "LEASE — WILL DIVIDE". These days, "Wall Street analysts" are as likely to be based in the mid-town business district, and a financial services company can operate perfectly well from Boise, Idaho.

Since the crash of 1987, the quarter of a square mile around Wall Street has lost at least 100,000 workers. And in spite of the upswing in the American economy, no one expects them back.

Sean Quinn, the barman at the famous Cassidy's Liquid Assets, says: "I remember one day 20,000 people left that building, 25 Broad Street. The company even set up a private ferry service to take employees across the river to New Jersey." He shakes his head. "It's just not necessary to be here any more. You could be in Timbuktu, you could be on the moon."

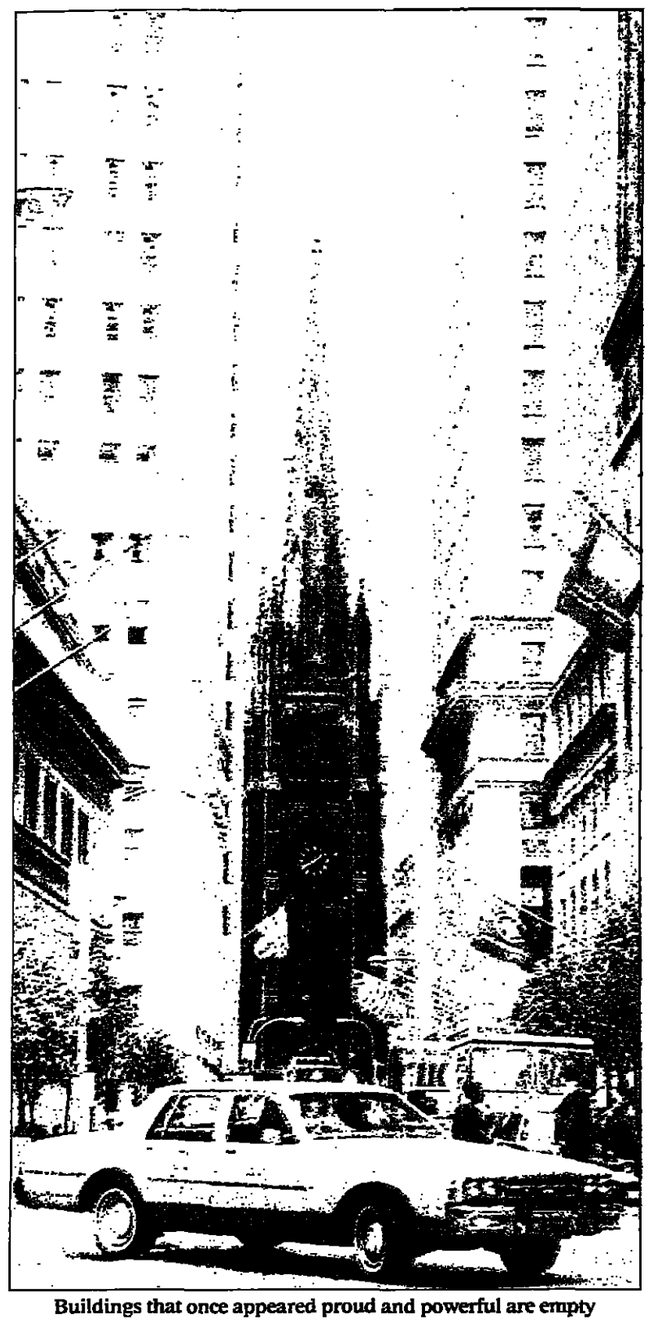
Indeed, the chrome doors no longer revolve at 25 Broad Street, and the magnificent granite columns, complete with cornices, hold up 20 storeys of emptiness. Perhaps in hope, but more likely in abject stupidity, employees of Nynex, the New York telephone company, just last week placed a pile of telephone directories on the porch of the giant shell.

A few paces away, at number 55, stands the 30-year-old former Drexel Burnham Lambert building. Here it was, in 1986, that the cops came for young Dennis Levine, his red Ferrari, his jewelled cufflinks, his watch and his briefcase. A quick rifle through Mr Levine's documents, and his co-operation, led them to Ivan Boesky, who led them to Michael Milken. But the building's notoriety proved irrelevant and the 400,000 sq ft of office space, over 31 floors, were abandoned three years ago.

Number 67 still has the golden angels in mosaic to prove that it once belonged to the giant IT&T Corporation. Now, there are no telephones on most of its 33 floors. The tenants downstairs include a shop selling false nails.

There is space available in number 74, "entire floors for rent" in number 43, and, just beneath the grand, chiselled ANNO DOMINI MCMXXVIII, up to 90,000 sq ft of "prime retail space" advertised on the facade of number 41.

On Wall Street, at number 45, the landlord is trying to get rid of his two remaining clients so that he can save money by closing the place down. Constructed in 1959, it has nearly 400,000 sq ft to spare. But the deepest echo comes from inside 40 Wall Street, with 66 storeys one of the 15 tallest buildings in the world. Four-fifths of its 1 million sq ft of space is deserted. Four years ago, it was sold for $77 million. Last year, Hong Kong investors bought it for $8 million. One observer commented: "Never in the history of commercial real estate has anything so big lost so much value so fast."



Buildings that once appeared proud and powerful are empty

Around the corner, inside 2 Broadway, the walls are covered with giant slabs of marble. One of the few buildings that, in spite of the World Trade Centre bombing, still does not have a security check, allowing the curious to take the lift to any floor they choose. But of the 32 storeys, all but five are deserted.

Trinity Episcopal Church, at the top of Wall Street, still draws the tourists to its ornate woodwork, penny candles and well tended graveyard, but there has been a place of worship on that spot since 1698, and its services have never been so deserted. Part of the street's problem is that communications have become so good. The fax machine, and computers linked by modem to networks, have overcome the need for a high-rise hot-house of activity.

And the drive to cut costs within the financial services community forced executives to question whether companies need to be in New York at all. In the past five years, hundreds have moved from Manhattan to upstate New York, and further afield.

Another barrier between the street and a future as glorious as its past is the age of the buildings. Analysts say that businesses now want large, open-plan offices with high ceilings, plenty of space beneath the floor for computer and communications wires, good air-conditioning and fast lifts. Most of Wall Street's buildings were constructed in an era when the best scheme an architect could come up with had the maximum number of employees near the source of air and light, the window. The ceilings are low, and the lifts are slow.

And because rental income has plummeted, many landlords cannot afford the mortgage repayments, let alone the refurbishment that could attract new clients. Another drawback lies in the phenomenon known in America as "white flight". The past decade has seen millions of middle-class and wealthy Americans, mostly white, fleeing from the cities to the suburbs. Here, taxes are lower, schools are better, space is more generous, and crime is something you read about on the front page of the *New York Post*. The only problem is that you have to commute.

Only the very patient or the insane would consider driving each day into the financial district; the narrow streets intersecting at anarchic angles can generate gridlock in no time, and even if you get through, there is nowhere to park. There are several subway lines underneath Wall Street, but it has no suburban rail station. This means that executives based there, weary after a long day at the cutting edge of capitalism, must either board a hot and sweaty subway, or take a cab and be snarled in traffic, to bring them five miles uptown to Grand Central or Penn Station.

In the time-honoured American tradition of starving all public transport of cash, this situation is unlikely to change, and it is one more incentive for decision-makers to steer clear of the street and plump instead for mid-town, beside the train stations.

Adding to Wall Street's woes, the services are beginning to vanish like the workers. Since 1838, Delmonico's on Beaver Street had been providing lunches, of both the fast and the power varieties, to members of the financial community. Through the white-washed windows, the brandy glasses are still visible in their racks, and there is a sign that says "Jackets required", but last year the restaurant went out of business.

The future looks bleak. Analysts at Jones Lang Wootton were quoted recently as saying that the next big construction project on Wall Street could be "demolition and site clearance". This would create more space, and perhaps some car parks for the brave, but it would cost a a great deal and, in many cases, strict planning laws could prevent a developer from rebuilding even to the same height as the original structure.

Converting the office blocks into apartments would be less costly, but few people would be willing to live in dark, narrow streets where there are no schools, parks or supermarkets near by. Another option for developers is to buy the buildings and mothball them in the hope of future use and profits. But that, too, could prove expensive because city property taxes would have to be paid even on closed offices, and they would still have to be refurbished for eventual use.

New York property analysts say that more likely is a gradual cycle of decline in which rents fall, the city lowers its tax assessments, and new businesses and non-profit or government agencies move in.

George Washington may not be at all happy with this progression, but so long as the Fraunces Tavern on Pearl Street remains intact, he is unlikely to descend from his perch in protest. It was here that he plotted his revolution against George III, and eventually won for Americans the right to make lots of money how they want and where they want — and keep it at home.

A little knowledge will prove a dangerous option



GRAHAM SEARJEANT

Ask anyone where the next financial disaster will come from, and they are likely to mutter derivatives. The Bundesbank worries, the US Congress urges controls. Even users think all those sophisticated swaps, futures and options might endanger the international financial system. The Bank for International Settlements, the Bank of England and the Securities and Futures Authority have all drawn up worthy guidelines for issuers to impose detailed internal controls on their exposures. Yet barely a week goes by without some bank, fund or big company revealing a nasty loss.

Those occasional losses must, however, be set against the regular big profits that banks make by serving the seemingly limitless needs of the corporate world. Much more exciting than deposits and loans. Barclays alone revealed last week that it had derivatives contracts out for £750 billion, with a net exposure of about £8 billion, more than its shareholders' funds.

The prime demand for derivatives is to limit the risk of prices changing, either by fixing a price via forward transactions, paying option money to hedge against movements or swapping interest rate or currency contracts to match assets and liabilities. But inventive minds are for ever creating new contracts tailored to specific needs or even to meet a demand from speculators. A small survey conducted by Record Treasury Management suggests about a fifth of users are into "specially designed" products. The latest "dynamite" option even allows speculators to hedge against the risk of nothing much happening.

That lure of big money from complex financial packages invites the atavistic thought that things could go spectacularly wrong. Too many disasters of recent years have struck where large profits came from operations that were, for one reason or another, little understood. They might be esoteric, as at Lloyd's and Atlantic Computers, or in areas where there seemed a good reason for not asking too many questions, as at Polly Peck or Ferranti.

Banks have shown they can lose money out of anything, so there are natural suspicions when big players make a mint from another fast-growing sector. For the clients, the main danger arises because traders, company treasurers or chief executives might not fully understand what they are letting themselves in for. A sophisticated contract based on securitised mortgages might look safe because the underlying security has a top triple A credit rating. But the contract might become worthless if interest rates move modestly either way.

If conservative laymen's fears ruled, financial innovation, along with engineering and scientific breakthroughs, would be stifled. The world would progress at a snail's pace. But it is not just the ignorant who worry about the user's lack of understanding of derivatives. Experts fret too. Neil Record, chairman of Record Treasury Management and a specialist in hedging through futures, is prepared to say so in his own company newsletter.

The basic problem, he argues, is that the best language for expressing and understanding financial derivatives clearly is mathematics and only a tiny number of people "are capable of understanding the maths required

> Chief executives tend to blather about their use of derivatives

to, say, value an option". Crucial people do not. "That group will, I tentatively suggest, not include any single chief executive, and practically no finance directors."

So what happens? Mr Record is too polite to say so — these chaps could be his clients — but chief executives tend to blather. They will say they hedge foreign cash flows, use interest rate swaps to make the best use of borrowing opportunities, cautiously keep abreast of new developments. But they insist their treasury departments are highly conservative and never speculate.

Up to a point, says Mr Record. Even the word hedge means quite different things to a manufacturer buying commodities and the manager of a speculative American "hedge" fund. "No chief executive will admit that his treasury speculates with his company's money, and therefore a denial is valueless. But plenty of treasuries do in practice take bets on currency and interest rates. I would go further and say that practically all the treasuries I have ever come across have done this in one circumstance or another."

This is not particularly sinister. Treasurers with good feel for markets can make lots of money for the group. But there is cause for concern. To start with, the big net benefit from derivatives lies in matching companies' individual needs. Financially, trading is generally a zero-sum game.

More worrying is the gulf between what chief executives and shareholders think is happening and what is actually going on. Two thirds of those responding to Record's private questionnaire thought their company accounts should only disclose their general strategy on derivatives. If chief executives do not understand what their treasuries are doing, such disclosure is likely at best to be meaningless and at worst misleading. One way to make top management take more interest in a fringe activity that could bring ruin is to force client companies to make the same sort of disclosure as Barclays.

There are strong arguments against new statutory regulation. If traders do not fully understand, legislators and regulators certainly would not. They would therefore stifle business. That is doubtless why the voluminous BIS guidelines concentrate on internal controls to monitor, identify and analyse risk. The central bankers bank, like its members, is concerned about failures having a domino effect on the banking system. The flurry of collective anxiety gives great hope of preventing that. There was, for instance, no such public debate about the "low-risk" business of mortgage indemnities.

Such advice often relies, however, on making senior directors take responsibility for these internal controls. That is not much good unless they understand the complexities, speak the language. Those trading heavily in derivatives need trained, mathematically literate, people near the top — and among internal auditors — just as life assurers and pension funds need qualified actuaries. Regulation to impose disclosure and qualifications can play a positive role.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

New chapter for Fallon?

WHAT is it about Sunday newspaper journalists? First *The Observer*'s Donald Trelford was rumoured to be off to help the African National Congress with its publishing interests. Now, Ivan Fallon, former deputy editor of *The Sunday Times*, is said to have his eye on a top editorial slot with Argus Newspapers. Fallon, who spent three weeks in SA around the time of the elections, would advise on ways of developing the group, which publishes a range of evening newspapers, including the *Argus* in Cape Town and the *Star* in Johannesburg. And the man reputed to be pulling the strings is, of course, Tony O'Reilly, whose Irish-based Independent Newspapers holds a near-35 per cent stake in Argus, and whose imminent biography has been penned by a certain Ivan Fallon. All in a day's work. . . .

Civic solution

A woman from Scunthorpe has caused a stir in motoring circles by complaining that her Honda Civic Shuttle moos like a cow during the night. Honda says it is "familiar" with the phenomenon, which is caused by expanding fumes escaping through a one-way valve. The remedy? Remove the petrol cap.

Hard climb

RECENT tragic events on Mont Blanc were followed closely by Jessica Mylne, an international property broker at Sedgwick Group, who recently scaled the peak in celebration of Sir Edmund Hillary's 75th birthday. Mylne, accompanied by a guide, and a friend, Kate James, took two days to complete the expedition, encountering freezing fog, high winds and blistering sunshine, all in the same trip. "I had never dreamt how difficult the climb would be," says Mylne, who through her efforts raised £1,500 for the Cancer and Leukaemia in Childhood Trust. Mylne adds: "Although physically fit, I was quite unprepared for the debilitating effects of the altitude on my breathing. During the final ascent, I was forced to pause and take breaths every four or five steps." The two climbers thankfully made it back to Chamonix at 5.30 pm on the second day.



Schlüter: on the board

Cleaning up

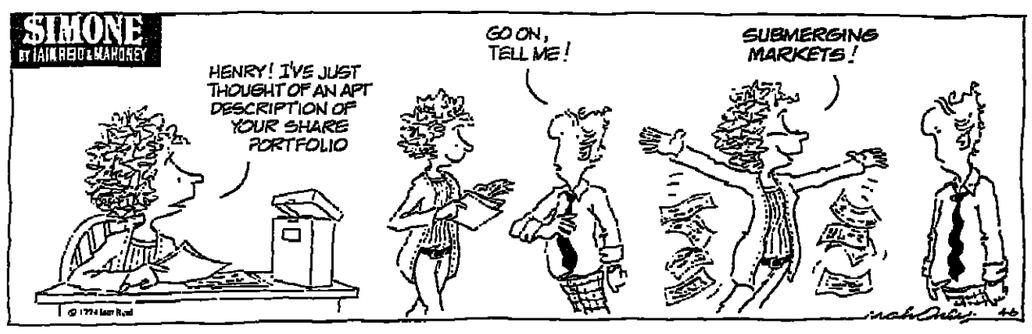
SECURING the prestigious Bank of England cleaning contract this month was only a first move in an ambitious strategy by ISS, the Danish cleaning group, to become the upmarket chars of the important European Union institutions. It does no harm to have Poul Schlüter, former conservative Danish prime minister, and a dark horse for the post of president of the European Commission, on the board of ISS. And while he did not get the EC job, he may yet pull a few strings (and make some money) in Brussels and Strasbourg via the group's new Luxembourg subsidiary, purpose-built to win cleaning business from the European Parliament and other allied bodies. Not that ISS needs the extra cash. Forecasters say that pre-tax profits have risen by more than 70 per cent in the first half.

Strike a light

HAVE Robert Horton and Jimmy Knapp done the Square Mile a favour? Some impromptu research suggests that the level of intelligence in the City is greater on days when there is a rail strike. In a competition at Guildhall by the Tylers & Bricklayers livery company, half the entries submitted on normal working days were correct. On rail strike days, the number of correct answers shot up to nearly 70 per cent. Alarming.

MORE memorable car numberplates: Today's nod of respect goes to Sankey, a London-based pest control company, which uses the registration MI TES. Sankey seems to be good at this. Last year's version was LI CES.

JON ASHWORTH



BUSINESS LETTERS

Full employment

From Mr Charles Lambert

Sir, I agree with the views of Graham Searjeant: "Full employment is the only real route to low taxes" (August 8). I am also convinced that the opposite is true, namely that low taxation on employment is the only real route to full employment. People do not price themselves out of jobs. They are taxed out of jobs. The tax on employment is around 50 per cent of net take home pay for the average employee when the national insurance for employers and employees and income tax are taken into account. It is the employer who pays all these taxes ultimately. Tinkering with the headline rate of income tax will not alleviate the situation one jot. What is needed is something drastic like the doubling of personal allowances, and the phasing out of mortgage tax relief and the ceiling on national insurance.

Yours faithfully,
CHARLES LAMBERT,
Glan Eleth, Bull Bay Road,
Amlwch, Gwynedd.

Names for lunch

From Mr Michael Nathanson

In the City Diary (August 12) you contrasted methods of debt collection in Russia with those envisaged at Lloyd's. You concluded that Lloyd's names were fortunate. This may not be the case. A legal journal recently featured Dibb Lupton Broomhead, the solicitors appointed by Lloyd's to collect monies from names. A cover photograph of two of the partners appeared under the caption: "These men will eat you for lunch — how aggression pays at Dibb Lupton."

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL NATHANSON,
Claygate, Surrey.

COMPETITION DAY 2

Win a Club Med holiday on Corfu

THIS is the second of three weeks in which *The Times* is offering readers a chance to win one of three Club Med holidays to France, Greece and the US. And £100 worth of traveller's cheques can be won every day by entering and solving our crossword challenges.

This week's Crossword Challenge is all about Greece — we are offering readers the chance to win a holiday for two to the Club Med village of Helios Corfou, on Corfu, 25 kilometres from Kérkira. The prize — worth more than £1,700 — includes flights, transfers to and from the village and full board, wine with meals, sports, entertainment and insurance.

Club Med

TO ENTER THE CONTEST

To enter, solve the crossword clues in *The Times* every day this week (the first six clues were printed in *Weekend* last Saturday, August 13) and write them on the crossword grid which was also printed on Saturday.

When you have solved all the clues and completed the grid, send it with your name, address and daytime telephone number to: The Times Crossword Challenge (2), 30 Bouverie Street, London EC88 4NG, to arrive no later than Friday, August 26.

Today, readers also have the chance to win £100 worth of traveller's cheques in the denomination of their choice, courtesy of The Travel Bureau. To enter, simply solve the crossword clues printed today and phone your answers to our *competition hotline number*.

HOTLINE: 0839 444 574

The telephone lines will be open until midnight tonight. You will be asked to leave your answers, with your name, address and daytime telephone number.

The winner will be selected from all correct entries received after the closing date and notified by phone. Calls are charged at 39p a minute cheap rate and 49p a minute at all other times. Normal Times Newspapers competition rules apply.

Tomorrow, there will be another six clues and another £100 worth of traveller's cheques to be won.

Now try to solve The Times Crossword, page 18, and/or Times Two Crossword, page 36.

CROSSWORD CLUES: WEEK 2

ACROSS

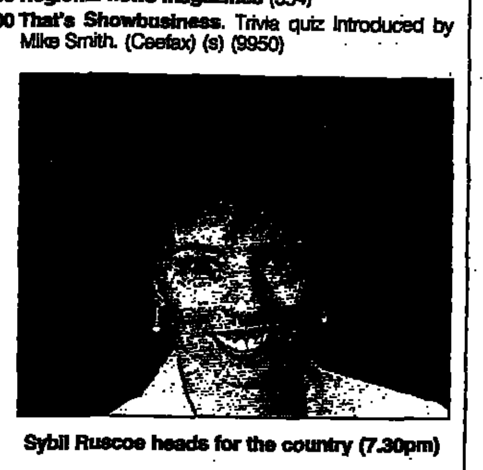
4 Pantheon, right? Wrong — a Greek temple (9)
11 Owning part of Ireland, and keeping it in subjection (7,4)
13 Starts to find lodgings in Thessaly with bunk (4)

DOWN

5 We are told sunbeams increase in strength (5)
6 Embrace a fifth of Rhodes, like the Colossus (4)
8 Piece of music scored just right for the Muses? (5)

BBC1

6.00 Business Breakfast (50399)
7.00 BBC Breakfast News (63084318)
9.05 Hangar 17. Young people's entertainment (4332844)
9.30 Growing Up Wild. Animals that live in extremes of temperature (r) (s) (42860)
10.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (2375979) **10.05 Playdays** (r) (s) (6674134) **10.30 The Flintstones** (r) (98711)
11.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (2218863) **11.05 Cagney and Lacey** (r). (Ceefax) (5492825) **11.55 Cartoon** (6581196)
12.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (7278844) **12.05 Pebble Mill – Summer in the City.** Ross King presents the entertainment from the stage of the Birmingham Hippodrome (s) (2754370) **12.55 Regional News** and weather (25259370)
1.00 One O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (61844) **1.30 Neighbours.** (Ceefax) (41111757)
1.50 Going for Gold with Henry Kelly (41115573) **2.15 Knots Landing.** American drama series (s) (6390912)
3.00 CHOICE **Burke's Backyard** (4641)
3.30 Movie Magic. Series on the special effects experts (1724912)
3.55 Cartoon Double Bill (1670405) **4.10 Bananaman** (r) (9241365) **4.15 McGee and Me** (r) (9530405) **4.35 Conan the Adventurer** (7622115)
5.00 Newsround (3970950) **5.10 The Lowdown: Open Mind.** A drama on the subject of child psychotherapy (r). (Ceefax) (s) (9813080)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (998573)
6.00 Six O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (202)
6.30 Regional news magazines (554)
7.00 That's Showbusiness. Trivia quiz introduced by Mike Smith. (Ceefax) (s) (9950)



Sybil Ruscoe heads for the country (7.30pm)

7.30 The Big Country Quest. Quiz that tests "townies" ability at rural skills. This week's team leaders are Sybil Ruscoe and Roger Black (s) (738)
8.00 EastEnders. (Ceefax) (s) (5370)
8.30 All Night Long. Comedy series. (Ceefax) (s) (4405)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (2405)
9.30 Panorama: The Landlord's Return. Mike Embley investigates the rent revolution. (Ceefax) (659467)
10.10 The Singing Detective. The final episode of the controversial Dennis Potter drama, starring Michael Gambon (r). (Ceefax) (1025080)
11.30 Come Dancing. Liverpool and Sheffield compete in the first semi-final. (Ceefax) (s) (633134)
12.05am FILM: The Hospital (1971) starring George C Scott and Diana Rigg. A black comedy set in a city hospital where a killer is bumping off doctors and a witch-doctor is on the rampage. Paddy Chayevsky won an Oscar for his script. Directed by Arthur Hiller (749500). **Wales:** Cricket Glamorgan v South Africa 12.50-2.30 Film: The Hospital
1.45 Weather (4964210)

BBC2

6.20 Open University (16486757)
8.00 Breakfast News. (Ceefax and signing) (1407554)
8.15 Pinocchio (r) (9811047) **8.40 Babar** (r) (6858573)
9.05 Grand Prix from Hungary (r) (3907283)
9.45 FILM: The Great Man Votes (1939, b/w) starring John Barrymore. Comedy drama directed by Garson Kanin (7449863)
10.55 FILM: Playmates (1941, b/w) starring John Barrymore, in his last film. A musical farce directed by David Butler (28787912). **Wales:** Cricket
12.30 Rediscovery of the World: Twilight of the Alaskan Hunter. The effects of modern civilisation on the traditional way of life of native Alaskans (4225399) **1.15 Consuming Passions.** Australian anchovy pasta (17135080) **1.20 Greenclaws** (r) (90805825) **1.35 Play Golf** (r) (72625080)
2.00 News and weather followed by **A Wild Workshop: Yorkshire and the Bro--s** (40863). **Wales:** (to 5.30) Cricket Glamorgan v South Africa
3.00 News (Ceefax) and weather followed by **Summer Praise** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (--8399) **3.40 A Week to Remember** (b/w) (2334863) **3.50 News** (Ceefax) and weather (2330047)
4.00 FILM: They Won't Believe Me (1947, b/w) starring Robert Young. Thriller directed by Irving Pichel (61405)
5.30 Gardeners' World (r). (Ceefax) (s) (931)
6.00 FILM: Flipper (1963) starring Chuck Conners. Children's adventure directed by James B. Clark. (Ceefax) (95950)
7.30 CHOICE **Wall to Wall: Forging Ahead.** (Ceefax) (s) (680)
8.00 On the Line: Ooh Aah Cantona! Literary lions celebrate the summer's sporting events and stars. The guests include Wendy Cope, Brendan Kennelly and Carol Ann Duffy (3912)
8.30 FILM: Cold Sassy Tree (1989) starring Richard Widmark and Faye Dunaway. Romance set in turn-of-the-century Georgia about an elderly shopkeeper who, three weeks after the death of his wife, shocks townspeople by proposing to a spinster. Directed by Joan Tewkesbury. (Ceefax) (98370)



Maureen Lipman on her pet hates (10.00pm)

10.00 Room 101. Maureen Lipman on the things she dislikes most. (Ceefax) (s) (28592)
10.30 Newsnight. (Ceefax) (880660)
11.15 NEW **Edinburgh Nights.** Emma Freud introduces highlights from this year's Edinburgh Festival (s) (396931)
11.55 Weather (193641)
12.00-12.30am Greenberg on Jackson Pollock. The American art critic on the work of the painter (59603)

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CHOICE



Separate journeys for Robert and Irene (C4, 9.00pm)

Travels With My Camera: Talking to Angels
Channel 4, 9.00pm

Robert Perkins, naturalist and traveller, heads for the far north of the American continent, leaving behind his girlfriend, Irene, who has breast cancer. The film intercuts his physical journey with her emotional one and explains why his action is not as callous as it might seem. The title comes from a spell in a mental hospital secure unit when Perkins was 19. He was accused of talking to angels. Now in the loneliness of the Arctic tundra he can talk to them when he likes and nobody will hear. He has left Irene partly because the urge to travel is overwhelming but also to sort out his thoughts about her. She, meanwhile, is starting to accept that death may come to her sooner than she would wish and is no longer scared about it.

The Vision Thing
Channel 4, 8.00pm

Sheena McDonald challenges Richard Dawkins, the zoologist, Darwinian and militant atheist to put forward his vision of a world without religion. Since he regards religion as a peddling of false beliefs about the meaning of life and why we are here, this is not difficult. He even compares religion to a virus, such as rabies or Aids, though more in how it replicates itself than in the harm it causes. But surely, McDonald says, religion gives meaning to people's lives and offers them comfort. Yes, but this does not make it true. Has not religion produced great art, such as the B Minor Mass or Chartres Cathedral? Agreed, says Dawkins, but how much greater these works would be if they had been inspired by truth and not falsehood.

Burke's Backyard
BBC1, 3.00pm

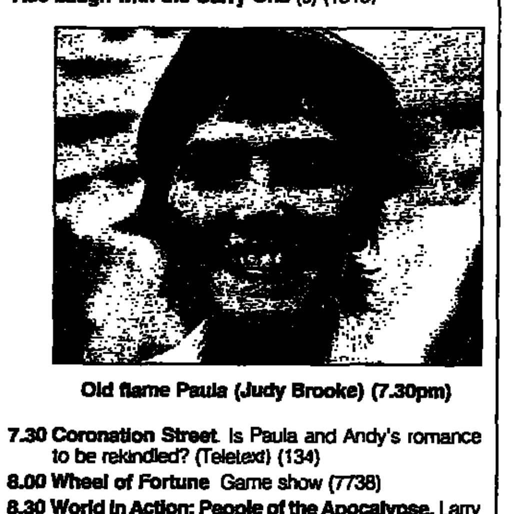
A magazine series from Australia is the latest addition to daytime viewing and its relaxed style could be just the thing for a balmy summer afternoon. Hosted by Don Burke, a presenter who is enthusiastic without being pushy, the show offers a miscellany of items loosely evoking everyday Australian life. Gardening, pets and wildlife are much to the fore. Burke demonstrates why the first settlers named Botany Bay after the abundance of local flora, and the programme offers a "road test" on the suitability of Pomeranian dogs as household friends. Among gardens visited is that of Laurie and Noeline, the feuding couple from *Sylvania Waters*. We also see the winning entries in a country town's worst garden competition.

Wall to Wall
BBC2, 7.30pm

The fruity tones of Tom Baker bring a pleasing series to a close, the only regret being that the programmes were not longer. The final film on housebuilding styles considers the impact of iron, steel and glass, and half an hour is not enough to do more than skate through the subject. All the same the programme packs plenty in. There is a potted history of iron and steel production, a brief mention of Joseph Paxton's Crystal Palace and an introduction to glassmaking before the focus settles on some of the present century's more notable steel and glass houses. They are still rare enough to raise an eyebrow and Sussex boasts one of the most radical. The foundations-free structure hangs from two steel columns. **Peter Waymark**

CARLTON

6.00 GMTV (98047)
9.25 C.O.P.S. Animated science-fiction series (4347776) **9.50 The New Adventures of He-Man** (5246554)
10.20 News headlines (Teletext) (9981912) **10.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (9980283)
10.30 FILM: Going In Style (1979) starring George Burns, Art Carney and Lee Strasberg. Comedy about three senior citizens who decide to make their life more exciting by robbing a bank. Directed by Martin Brest (56570979)
12.20 London Today (Teletext) and weather (7274028)
12.30 News (Teletext) and weather (3210776)
12.55 Coronation Street (r). (Teletext) (3295467) **1.25 Home and Away** (Teletext) (16621399)
1.55 Dilly Down Town. Dilly Bramoh tries alternative remedies from London's ethnic communities (r) (s) (72638554) **2.25 A Country Practice** (s) (73358134) **2.50 The Young Doctors** (9901776)
3.20 News headlines (Teletext) (1659776) **3.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (1658047)
3.30 Tots TV (r) (s) (1662486) **3.40 Wizadora** (r) (2338689) **3.50 Cartoon** featuring Porky Pig and Daffy Duck (r) (2327573) **4.00 Scooby Doo** (5328134) **4.25 Transylvania Pet Shop** (s) (9512009) **4.50 Johnny Ball Reveals All.** The power of electricity. (Teletext) (3299486)
5.10 After 5. (Teletext) (3833047)
5.40 News (Teletext) and weather (524047)
5.55 Your Shout. Viewer access slot (971047)
6.00 Home and Away (r). (Teletext) (370)
6.30 London Tonight (Teletext) (950)
7.00 Laugh with the Carry Ons (s) (1318)



Old flame Paula (Judy Brooke) (7.30pm)

7.30 Coronation Street. Is Paula and Andy's romance to be rekindled? (Teletext) (134)
8.00 Wheel of Fortune Game show (7738)
8.30 World in Action: People of the Apocalypse. Larry Hollingworth reports on Rwanda's harrowing situation (s) (9573)
9.00 Frank Stubbs. Comedy series starring Timothy Spall. (Teletext) (s) (4738)
10.00 News at Ten (Teletext) and weather (22318) **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) and weather (378950)
10.40 Sport in Question with Jimmy Greaves and Ian St John. The guests are Tessa Sanderson, Hugh McIlvaney and Ian Wright (s) (270134)
11.40 The Little Picture Show. Film and video reviews (487757) **12.40am Nigel Mansell's IndyCar 94.** Highlights from Lexington, Ohio (4161968)
1.40 NEW **Endsleigh League Football Extra.** Highlights of the weekend's games. Plus a nostalgia spot which this week features a 1970 game between Spurs and West Ham (2147055)
2.25 Renegade. American police drama (1010993)
3.20 Sport AM presented by Bob Symonds (9834332)
4.20 Profile of Squeeze (s) (88269264)
4.30 Videofashion. New York designers (14177)
5.00 Hollywood Report (r) (s) (71974)
5.30 ITN Morning News (54158). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.35 The California Raisin Show (r) (4415318)
7.00 The Big Breakfast (51467)
9.00 Running the Halls. High school adventure series (r). (Teletext) (98757)
9.30 Wish Kid (r) (5268776) **9.55 Saved By the Bell.** Teen comedy (r). (Teletext) (5243467)
10.25 Owl TV. Wildlife series presented by Michaela Strachan. This morning she meets a snapping turtle, an Australian fruit bat and a greedy pig (r). (Teletext) (3512467)
10.50 Betty's Bunch. Series from New Zealand about a foster-mother and her brood (5156080)
11.20 Terrytoons. Classic animations from the pre-war years (5340592)
11.50 Super Mario World (r) (5249912)
12.05 The Lone Ranger (b/w). Vintage western adventures starring Clayton Moore (2924912)
12.30 Sesame Street. Entertaining early-learning series (r) (78202) **1.30 Madeline.** Animated adventures of a little French girl (s) (45757)
2.00 FILM: They Got Me Covered (1943, b/w) starring Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour. Comedy about a hopeless reporter who accidentally uncovers a Nazi spy-ring. Directed by David Butler (861689)
3.40 Rumplestiltskin and **The Frog Prince.** Animated version of the fairy stories, made by Halas and Batchelor (r) (1673592)
3.55 Garden Club (r). (Teletext) (8296318)
4.30 Countdown. Richard Whiteley with another round of the words and numbers game. (Teletext) (s) (937)
5.00 The Gambler's Guide To Winning. An *Equinox* documentary about a group of mathematicians who have devised systems to make punters' dreams come true (r). (Teletext) (s) (1931)
6.00 Babylon 5. Award-winning American science-fiction series (750888)
6.50 Mighty Mouse. Cartoon (103979)
7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) and weather (409196)
7.50 The Slot. Viewer access series (672844)



Fervent Darwinian Richard Dawkins (8.00pm)

8.00 CHOICE **The Vision Thing.** (Teletext) (s) (8080)
8.30 Desmond's. Barber shop comedy starring Norman Beaton (r). (Teletext) (s) (7115)
9.00 CHOICE **Travels With My Camera: Talking to Angels.** (Teletext) (s) (5080)
10.00 Northern Exposure. Quirky American comedy. (Teletext) (s) (297776)
10.55-1.05am Out of the Blue: Coming Home. Moira Sweeney's personal journey over four continents piecing together the experience of growing up a Catholic in Northern Ireland (s) (529912) **11.50 Capoeira Quickstep.** A fictional documentary using a Brazilian dance to illustrate the difference in cultures between South America and Britain (s) (229370) **12.15am In Between.** Robert Crus's autobiographical film about his childhood in Sri Lanka (s) (2901264)
1.05 Poor Man's Orange. Episode two of the four-part sequel to the Australian/Irish drama *Harp in the South* (r) (8291535). Ends at **2.05**

RADIO 1

FM Stereo. **4.00am** Bruno Brookes **6.30** Kevin Greening **9.00** Simon Mayo **12.30pm** Newsbeat **12.45** 1FM Roadshow, from Torquay **2.00** Mark Goodier **4.00** Nicky Campbell **7.00** Evening Session: Highlights from Woodstock **9.00** Lee and Herring **10.00** Mark Radcliffe **12.00-4.00am** Lynn Parsons

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **6.00am** Sarah Kennedy **7.30** Wake Up to Wogan **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.30** Jimmy Young **2.00pm** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Ed Stewart **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Hubert Gregg **7.30** Alan Dell with Dance Band Days, and at **8.00** Big Band Era **8.30** Big Band Special **9.00** Humphrey Lyttelton **10.00** Voices: Dave Gelly profiles Phil Harris **10.30** The Jamesons **12.05am** Digby Fairweather **1.00** Steve Madden with Night Ride **3.00-6.00** Alex Lester

RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00am Morning Reports, incl at **5.45** Wake Up to Money **6.00** The Breakfast Programme **8.35** The Magazine, incl at **10.35** Europe News, and at **11.15** Actuality **12.00** Midday with Mair, including at **12.34pm** Moneycheck **2.05** Ruscoe on Five **4.00** John Inverdale Nationwide **7.00** News Extra, including at **7.20** sport **7.35** David Gower's Cricket Weekly **8.35** Sporting Partnerships: Chris Boardman and his coach Peter Keen **9.05** Go West **9.35** Workplace **10.05** News Talk **11.00** Night Extra **12.05am** The Other Side of Midnight **2.00** Up All Night

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. **4.30am** BBC English **4.45** Frühmagazin **5.00** Newshour **6.00** News in German **6.03** Morgenmagazin **6.27** News in German **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** World News **7.10** British News **7.15** The Learning World **7.30** The Sparks That Lit a Bonfire **8.00** World News **8.15** Off the Shelf: The Rainbow **8.30** Media Magnates **9.00** World News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Health Matters **9.30** Anything Goes **10.00** World News **10.05** World Business Report **10.15** Mothers and Daughters **10.30** The Learning World **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News Summary **11.01** The Sparks That Lit a Bonfire **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** Composer of the Month: Alexander Borodin **1.00** World News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** Brain of Britain **1.45** Sports Roundup **2.00** Newshour **3.00** World News **3.05** Outlook **3.30** Off the Shelf: The Rainbow **3.45** Mind Matters **4.00** World News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** News in German **4.35** Heute Aktuell **5.00** World and British News **5.15** BBC English **6.00** World News **6.05** World Business Report **6.15** The World Today **6.30** News and Features in German **8.00** World News **8.05** Outlook **8.30** Europe Today **9.00** World News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** The World Today **9.30** The Vintage Chart Show **10.00** Newshour **11.00** News **11.05** Business Report **11.15** Rock Salad **11.45** Sport **Midnight** Newsdesk **12.30am** Multitrack Hit List **1.00** News **1.10** British News **1.15** A Jolly Good Show **2.00** News **2.05** Outlook **2.30** Folk Routes **2.45** Health Matters **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** Brain of Britain **4.00** Newsdesk

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Nick Bailey **9.00** Jane Markham **12.00** Susannah Simons **2.00pm** Lunchtime Concerto: Beethoven (Triple Concerto) **3.00** Petroc Trelawny **6.00** Classic Reports **7.00** Humphrey Burton's Life of Leonard Bernstein **8.00** Evening Concert: Rameau (Suite, Castor and Pollux), Bach (Cello Suite No 2 in D); Purcell (Come ye sons of art); Handel (Suite, Water Music No 1) **10.00** Michael Mappin **1.00-6.00am** André Leon

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Russ and Jono **10.00** Gary King **1.00pm** Graham Dene **4.00** Wendy Lloyd **7.00** Nick Abbot **10.00** NJ Williams **2.00-6.00am** Paul Coyte

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: **10.30** Bananas in Pyjamas (7565991) **10.35** James Bond Junior (5188689) **11.00** OX Tales (5348134) **11.25** The New Adventures of Black Beauty (5341221) **11.55** The Munsters Today (1424931) **1.55** A Country Practice (41109912) **2.20** Gardening Time (73340115) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (9901776) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (3833047) **6.25-7.00** Anglia News (666134) **10.40** The Seven Deadly Sins (643660) **11.10** Nigel Mansell's IndyCar 94 (402554) **12.10am** Coach (9336055) **12.40** MacGyver (5358158) **1.35** Sport AM (9458581) **2.30** The Beat (4487603) **3.25** Country Show (93896516) **3.55** Simon, Simon (15759993) **4.25** Jobfinder (8670500) **5.00-5.30** America's Top Ten (71974)

CENTRAL
As London except: **10.30** Bananas in Pyjamas (7565991) **10.35** James Bond Junior (5188689) **11.00** OX Tales (5348134) **11.25** The Munsters Today (7594641) **11.50** Deepwater Haven (9599592) **1.55** A Country Practice (41109912) **2.20** Right Or Wrong (73340115) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (9901776) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (3833047) **6.25-7.00** Central News and Weather (666134) **10.40** Street Legal (257283) **11.35-11.40** Night Shift (100931) **4.20am** Jobfinder (6408413) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (6199055)

HTV WEST
As London except: **10.30-12.20** To See Such Fun (56570979) **1.55-3.20** No Trace (4792370) **5.10-5.40** A Country Practice (3833047) **5.55** Home and Away (994757) **6.25-7.00** HTV News (666134) **10.40** Magnum (270134) **11.40** The Wrap (960115) **12.10am** Love and War (9336055) **12.40** MacGyver (5358158) **1.35** Sport AM (9458581) **2.30** The Beat (4487603) **3.25** Country Show (93896516) **3.55** Simon, Simon (15759993) **4.25** Jobfinder (8670500) **5.00-5.30** America's Top Ten (71974)

HTV WALES
As HTV WEST except: **6.25-7.00** Wales Tonight (666134) **10.40** Davies the Ocean (270134) **11.40-12.10pm** Coach (960115)

MERIDIAN
As London except: **10.30** Jack and The Beanstalk (84224554) **12.15pm-12.20** Cartoon (7286863) **1.55** A Country Practice (41109912) **2.20** Yan Can Cook (73340115) **2.50-3.20** Shortland Street (9901776) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3833047) **6.00** Meridian Tonight (370) **6.30-7.00** Country Ways (950) **10.30** Meridian News and Weather (378350) **10.40-12.40pm** The President's Child (73163080) **5.00am-5.30** Freescreen (71974)

TYNE TEES
As London except: **10.30** To See Such Fun (15880028) **12.10pm-12.20** Cartoon (6536405) **1.55** A Country Practice (41109912) **2.20-2.50** An Invitation to Remember.. The Entertainers (73340115) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3833047) **5.55** Tyne Tees Today (673399) **6.30-7.00** Earthmovers (950) **10.40** East Coast Main Line (257283) **11.35** Prisoner Cell Block H (758757) **12.30am** Nigel Mansell's IndyCar 94 (33177) **1.00** Operation Madonna (98974) **2.30** The New Music (75158) **3.30** ITV Chart Show (1748326) **4.25-5.30** Jobfinder (2482784)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: **10.25-10.30** Westcountry News (9980283) **12.20pm-12.30** Westcountry News (7274028) **1.55** The Young Doctors (72638554) **2.25-2.55** Gardening Time (73349486) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3833047) **6.00-7.00** Westcountry Live (56863) **10.40** Married with Children (643660) **11.10** IndyCar 94 (711641) **11.40** Crime Story (487757) **12.40am** MacGyver (5358158) **1.35** Sport AM (9458581) **2.30** The Beat (4487603) **3.25** Country Show (93896516) **3.55** Simon, Simon (15759993) **4.25** Jobfinder (8670500) **5.00-5.30** Top Ten (71974)

YORKSHIRE
As London except: **10.30** To See Such Fun (15880028) **12.10pm-12.20** Cartoon (6536405) **1.55** A Country Practice (41109912) **2.20-2.50** An Invitation to Remember (73340115) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3833047) **5.55** Calendar (673399) **6.30-7.00** Local Heroes (950) **10.40** A Medieval Mystery (257283) **11.35** Prisoner Cell Block H (758757) **12.30am** IndyCar 94 (33177) **1.00** Operation Madonna (98974) **2.30** New Music (75158) **3.30** Chart Show (1748326) **4.25-5.30** Jobfinder (2482784)

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Starts: **9.00** Running The Halls (98757) **9.30** Wish Kid (5268776) **9.55** Saved By The Bell (5243467) **10.25** Owl TV (3512467) **10.50** Betty's Bunch (5156080) **11.20** Terrytoons (5340592) **11.50** Super Mario Brothers (5249912) **12.05pm** The Lone Ranger (2924912) **12.30** Sesame Street (78202) **1.30** Blossom (45757) **2.00** Stand In (861689) **3.40** Cops (1746134) **4.05** Millionaire Deputy (7832115) **4.10** The Oprah Winfrey Show (9116776) **5.00** Batman (9195) **5.30** Countdown (399) **6.00** Newyddion (330776) **6.20** Heno (656757) **7.00** Jacpot (2660) **7.30** Criced 94: Morganwg v De Affrig (776) **8.00** Tacio (8060) **8.30** Newyddion (7115) **9.00** Taro Naw (5115) **9.30** Fraser (59950) **10.00** Northern Exposure (297776) **10.55** The Valour and the Horror (73185202)

RADIO 3

6.30am Open University: Maths — Complex Numbers and Cayley Tables **6.55** Weather
7.00 On Air: Rossini (Overture, Il Turco in Italia); Janáček (Romance); Bach (Overture in the French Style, BWV 831); Webern (Langsamer Satz); Purcell (Thou knowest Lord the secrets of our hearts); Bruch (String Quartet No 1 in C minor, Op 9)
9.00 Composer of the Week: Heinrich Biber. Sonata a 7 (Vienna Concentus Musicus under Nikolaus Harnoncourt); Sonata Campanarum; Sonata, La pastorella (Musica Antiqua Köln under Reinhard Goebel); Battalia (European Community Baroque Orchestra under Monica Huggett); Requiem in F minor (Chorus and Orchestra of The Netherlands Bach Society under Gustav Leonhardt)
10.00 Musical Encounters, presented by Mary Miller live from the Edinburgh Festival. Smetana (Overture, The Kiss); *Prom Artist of the Week*: John Eliot Gardiner conducts Monteverdi (Psalm 147, Lauda, Jerusalem, Dominum, Vespers of 1610); Telemann (Concerto in E minor for recorder and transverse flute); **11.05** Mozart (Piano Concerto No 22 in E flat, K482)
12.00 In Repertory: The Wagnerian bass-baritone Hans Hotter on the role of Gurnemanz in Wagner's *Parsifal*
1.00pm British Quartets: Lyric Quartet performs Elgar (String Quartet in E minor); David Gow (String Quartet No 6)
1.55 The BBC Orchestras: BBC Philharmonic under Vassily Sinaisky, with Christian Blackshaw, piano, performs Mozart (Piano Concerto No 21 in C, K467); Mahler (Symphony No 6)
3.45 The Italian Renaissance Organ: Christopher Stembridge plays and presents music by Andrea and Giovanni Gabrieli
4.30 The Trail-Blazer: In the penultimate episode of his series of programmes on the composer George Russell, Ian Carr listens to a recording of a concert given in 1970 by Russell's Scandinavian quartet, which included saxophonist Jan Garbarek
5.00 The Music Machine: Tommy Pearson discusses the use of melody in music with composers Graham Fitkin and Thomas Adès (r)
5.15 In Tune, with Andrew Green
7.30 BBC Proms 1994, live from the Albert Hall in London. The Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields under Neville Marriner, with Mayumi Seiler, violin, Adrianne Pieczonka, soprano, performs Haydn (Symphony No 96 in D, Miracle; Violin Concerto No 1 in C). **8.15** English Eccentrics: Jonathan Meades. See Choice **8.35** Beethoven (Ah! perfido, Op 65 Symphony No 4 in B flat)
9.40 Four Score and Ten Remembered: Frances Partridge in conversation with Christopher Cook (r)
9.55 Clarinet and Piano: Linda Merrick, clarinet, and Benjamin Frith, piano, perform Stanford (Three Intermezzi, Op 13); Wilfred Josephs (Sonata No 2, Op 149); Stanford (Sonata, Op 129) (r)
10.45 Book, Music and Lyrics: Connecticut to Camelot. Robert Cushman presents a personal view of musicals
11.30-12.30am Music Restored: A celebration of the life of Laurence Sterne

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing, incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day, with Fiona Bowie **6.30** Today, incl **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **6.55, 7.55** Weather **6.45** Business News **7.25, 8.25** Sports News **7.45** Thought for the Day, with Jonathan Fryer **8.40** Rifleman and Hussar: Peter Ustinov reads extracts selected by Frederick Bradnum from the memoirs of Colonel Sir Percival Marling **8.58** Weather
9.00 News 9.05 Soapbox, with David Mellor
10.00-10.30 News; Questions of Taste (FM only): Chris Kelly hosts the last in the series
10.00 Daily Service (LW only)
10.15 Children's Radio: Simple Simon (LW only), by Yvonne Coppard. Read by Ian Targett (1/5) (r)
10.30 Woman's Hour, introduced by Wendy Austin. Serial: *The Great Elephant Chase*, by Gillian Cross. Read by Miriam Margolyes
11.30 Inside Money: Roger White finds out if a small investor can deal with companies looking for new capital via a Stock Market listing (r)
12.00 News; You and Yours
12.25pm Brain of Britain: The fourth semi-final of the nationwide general knowledge contest. Chairman Robert Robinson puts questions to journalist George Hill, local government officer Tony Garton, civil servant Gethin Jones, and schoolteacher Ross Ewart **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World at One, with Nick Clarke
1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping Forecast
2.00 News; Grandma and Mrs Chaterjee, by Kitty Fitzgerald. Two 70-year-olds endeavour to bring back the goddess culture through the medium of radio. With Julie Christie, Liz Kelly, Leena Dhingra and Chrissie Edge (r)
3.00 Anderson Country, with Gerry Anderson
4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope: Paul Allen reports from the opening of the Edinburgh International Festival; and Paul Vaughan talks to the conductor John Eliot Gardiner
4.45 Short Story: Good Investments, by Celia Dale
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.30 A Look Back at the Future (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 Daughters of Independence: Liz Moloney examines the lives of four Nigerian women. Hajara Ibrahim tries to balance the demands of marriage and motherhood with those of her university course in journalism
7.45 The Monday Play: Mr Clean, by Peter Terson and Pat Ryott. Why does a young offender, who usually shuns visitors, suddenly accept a new addition to the approved visitor list? With Simon Carter and Neil Coker
9.15 The Miles Kington Interview: Florence Nightingale, played by Eleanor Bron, talks to Miles Kington about her life and work
9.30 Kaleidoscope (r) **9.59** Weather
10.00 The World Tonight
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: The Pursuit of Love. Anna Massey reads Nancy Mitford's classic tale of life in the 1930s (6/10)
11.00 No Illusions: See Choice
12.00-12.43am News, incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

CHOICE

English Eccentrics. *Radio 3, 8.15pm.*
I have something in common with the writer Jonathan Meades — a deep dislike of cricket. In his unscripted monologue, he does not dwell on the matter. I take this to indicate the extent of his contempt. Oddly enough, he does not dwell either on eating out, which is what he entertains us with in *The Times*. There is something Wildean about the epigram which could serve as his own self-regarding epitaph: "There is nothing (in life) that we can't be frivolous about, and nothing too frivolous to be serious about."

No Illusions. *Radio 4, 11.00pm.*
During the summer season, Radio 4's Monday night schedule between 11pm and midnight is being transformed. Starting tonight, there is a full hour of studio discussion, chaired by Francine Stock. Some of the other voices have been tested and not found wanting. Others will be new to radio, drawn from the worlds of letters and politics and the groves of academe. Tonight's topic is: What is education for? Stock says the talk will be non-adversarial. How can she possibly guarantee such a thing? **Peter Davalle**

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SATELLITE

SKY ONE
6.00am The DJ Kat Show (70887554) **9.10** Cartoons (1473202) **9.30** Card Sharks (1588318) **9.55** Concentration (1563009) **10.25** Dynamo Duck (3631283) **10.30** Love at First Sight (49009) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (94196) **12.00** The Urban Peasant (63689) **12.30pm** E Street (97134) **1.00** Falcon Crest (82689) **2.00** Hart to Hart (86689) **3.00** Another World (5728660) **3.50** The DJ Kat Show (2245405) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (9991) **6.00** The Simpsons (6134) **6.30** Blockbusters (7486) **7.00** E Street (1950) **7.30** M*A*S*H (6370) **8.00** Melrose Place (20486) **9.00** The She-Wolf of London (33950) **10.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (10009) **11.00** Late Show with David Letterman (669660) **11.45** V (581776) **12.45-1.45am** Hill Street Blues (618784)

SKY NEWS
News on the hour.
6.00am Sunrise Europe (8163950) **9.30** Memories of 1970-91 (10863) **10.30** Nightline (96318) **11.30** Japan Business Today (69739) **1.30pm** CBS This Morning (81863) **2.30** Parliament (12486) **3.30** The Lords (96329) **4.30** News and Business Report (749221) **7.30** *Financial Times* Reports (31009) **9.30** Talkback (41202) **11.30** CBS Weekend News (54370) **12.30am** ABC World News Tonight (88871) **1.30** *Financial Times* Reports (21887) **2.30** Memories of 1970-91 (77603) **3.30** Talkback (89448) **4.30** Beyond 2000 (50687) **5.30-6.00** CBS Evening News (44992)

SKY MOVIES
6.00am Showcase (2590432)
10.00 The Buddy System (1984): Romantic melodrama with Susan Sarandon and Richard Dreyfuss (91950)
12.00 Ghost in the Noonday Sun (1973): Comedy with Peter Sellers as a mutineering cook on a pirate ship (63592)
2.00pm Viva Maria! (1965): Jeanne Moreau and Brigitte Bardot both fall for revolutionary George Hamilton (34689)
4.00 A Waltons Thanksgiving Reunion (1994): America's favourite wholesome family is reunited for Thanksgiving in 1963 (2825)
6.00 Pure Luck (1991): Private eye comedy with Martin Short and Danny Glover (14825)
8.00 Patriot Games (1992): Harrison Ford plays a CIA specialist pitched against an embittered IRA hitman (19370)
10.00 Gross Misconduct (1993): A professor's affair with a student leads to an accusation of rape (413738)
11.40 Bustin' Loose (1981): Richard Pryor plays a former convict driving underprivileged children across America (399844)
1.35am Hotel Room (1992): A trio of offbeat dramas from David Lynch (924245)
3.20 Castle Keep (1969): Second World War action with Burt Lancaster and Peter Falk (68095806). Ends at **5.05**

SKY MOVIES GOLD
6.00pm The Paper Chase (1973): Comedy-drama with Timothy Bottoms (82641)
8.00 Silent Running (1971): Horticulturalist Bruce Dern defends a vast floating garden in space (76399)
9.30 Heaven's Gate (1980): Western epic with Kris Kristofferson and Sam Waterston (780283). Ends at **12.00**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
6.00am The Sea Hawk (1940): Classic swashbuckler with Errol Flynn (39705487)
8.10 The New Adventures of Robin Hood (as 5.40pm) (3673776)
9.05 Ali Baba (as 6.35pm) (2485738)
10.00 Can-Can (1960): Cole Porter's musical. With Shirley MacLaine (60338689)
12.15pm Back to God's Country (1953): Rock Hudson plays a sea captain in a remote part of Canada (7556863)
1.35 The Canterville Ghost: An aristocratic British ghost is put out by an American family who move into his mansion (9641283)
2.25 What About Bob? (1991): Hypochondriac Bill Murray haunts his psychiatrist, Richard Dreyfuss (762979)
4.05 Lost in the Barrens (1990): Wilderness adventure (82851405)
5.40 The New Adventures of Robin Hood: Animated swashbuckler (312641)
6.35 Ali Baba: Cartoon adventure (557047)
7.30 UK Top Ten (9080)
8.00 The Public Eye (1992): Joe Pesci plays a tabloid photographer who falls for nightclub owner, Barbara Hershey (17912)
10.00 American Me (1992): Drama about the so-called Mexican Mafia (18896931)
12.05am Chained Heat 2 (1992): Brigitte Nielsen plays a sadistic warder (354061)
1.50 Contract for Murder (1993): Drama with Cybill Shepherd (89576500)

SKY SPORTS
7.00am World Sport Special (33009) **7.30** European PGA Golf (90825) **9.30** Aerobics Oz Style (79825) **10.00** ATP Tennis (89689) **12.00** Aerobics Oz Style (56486) **12.30pm** High Five (73641) **1.00** Football Charity Shield (26221) **3.00** US PGA Golf (91825) **5.00** WWF Mania (9889) **6.00** Soccer News (433383) **6.15** Sports Classics (489888) **6.30** Windsurfing Tour (9486) **7.00** Football Special: Countdown to the New Season (492641) **9.30** Motorsport (68738) **10.30** Soccer News (550592) **10.45** Nascar (585047) **12.45-3.00am** Football Special: New Season (22047806)

4.05 Critters 3 (1992): Don Opper continues his one-man war against the toothsome beasties (771697). Ends at **5.25**

EUROSPORT
7.30am Step Aerobics (30912) **8.00** Live Cycling (8466370) **12.00** Indycar (87844) **1.00pm** Formula One (96592) **2.00** Basketball (83347) **3.30** Speedworld (786950) **6.00** Eurosport News (3202) **6.30** Live Cycling (419318) **9.00** Boxing (62486) **10.00** Football (65573) **11.00** Eurogolf Magazine (97825) **12.00-12.30am** Eurosport News (40993)

UK GOLD
7.00am The Sullivans (7450738) **7.30** Neighbours (7462573) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (7122738) **8.30** EastEnders (7121009) **9.00** The Bill (7145689) **9.30** One by One (6389641) **10.30** The Duchess of Duke Street (56387950) **11.35** The Sullivans (57187399) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (7125825) **12.30pm** Neighbours (6921573) **1.00** EastEnders (7459009) **1.30** The Bill (6920844) **2.00** George and Mildred (7531912) **2.30** Man About the House (3750863) **3.00** Knots Landing (3113318) **4.00** Dynasty (3192825) **5.00** Every Second Counts (4629641) **5.40** The Goodies (8456863) **5.55** Sykes (1648757) **6.30** EastEnders (3742844) **7.00** The Two Ronnies (1285912) **8.00** Seven of One (7551776) **8.30** Man About the House (7530283) **9.00** Tenko (1281196) **10.00** The Bill (7126554) **10.30** Scotch 'n' Wry (7135202) **11.00** Thunderbirds (7469486) **12.00** Dr Who (8433158) **12.30am** Call Me Mister (9750826) **1.30** Candid Camera (8355072) **2.00** Shopping (4279968)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL
6.00am It's Droibee Time (63825) **7.00** Spoff and Hercules (6831047) **7.15** Pastagums (6614028) **7.30** Casper and Friends (43573) **8.00** Pingu (7601134) **8.05** Head to Head in 3D (7691757) **8.15** Rude Dog and the Dweebs (2347080) **8.30** Beverly Hills Teens (94680) **9.00** Bobby's World (7045554) **9.25** Around the World in 80 Seconds (9445009) **10.00** Twins of Destiny (27047) **10.30** Runaway Bay (81196) **11.00** Chuckle Club (72399) **11.30** All Change (73028) **12.00** Hour of Power (99496) **12.30pm** Ironman (22931) **1.00** Guitars and Roses (30009) **1.30** Swan's Crossing (21202) **2.00** Barney and Friends (8912) **2.30** Mysterious Cities of Gold (7283) **3.00** Garfield and Friends (8047) **3.30** Head to Head in 3D (8464221) **3.40** Summer Crunch (6665641) **4.30-5.00** Saved by the Bell (7047)

NICKELODEON
7.00am Pondles (74554) **8.00** Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles (44641) **8.30** Alvin and the Chipmunks (43912) **9.00** Doug (67592) **9.30** Clarissa Explains It All (77467) **10.00** Rocko/Garbage Pail Kids (35270) **10.30** Denver the Last Dinosaur (63776) **11.00** Pee-Wee's Playhouse (21641) **11.30** Smoggies (22370) **12.00** Nick Faves (54028) **12.30pm** The Muppet Show (71283) **1.00** Alvin and the Chipmunks (56950) **1.30** Nick's Cartoon Hour (11028) **2.30** Garbage Pail Kids (5047) **3.00** Pee-Wee's Playhouse (6979) **3.30** You Choose (5172) **4.00** Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles (6399) **4.30** Doug (5283) **5.00** Chroma Zone (1301) **6.00** Clarissa (6776) **6.30** Roundhouse (7028)

DISCOVERY
4.00pm Australia Wild (3749757) **4.30** Living with Violent Earth (3738641) **5.00** A Traveller's Guide to the Orient (7553134) **5.30** Terra X (3752221) **6.00** Beyond 2000 (6937134) **7.00** The New Explorers (7533370) **7.30** The Secret Life of Machines (3739370) **8.00** Wildside (1292202) **9.00** Disappearing World (1289738) **10.00** In the Footsteps of Scott (1282825) **11.00-12.00** Elite Fighting Forces (7467028)

BRAVO
12.00 FILM Marilyn (1953). Sandra Dorne in a tale of lust, greed and murder (51013405)

1.15pm FILM: The Six-Sided Triangle (1964): Short film about what happens in six different countries when a husband comes home unexpectedly (7468399) **2.00** The Partridge Family (7526080) **2.30** Get Smart (3745931) **3.00** My Three Sons (7545115) **3.30** The Beverly Hillbillies (3757776) **4.00** FILM: Night Boat to Dublin (1946): A scientist is on the verge of inventing the atomic bomb (7549931) **6.00** Hogan's Heroes (3745660) **6.30** Cannon (7863399) **7.30** The Invisible Man (3733196) **8.00** The Avengers (1296028) **9.00** It's Garry Shandling's Show (3116405) **9.30** FILM: The Mind Benders (1962): Psychological spy drama with Dirk Bogarde (4127365) **11.30-12.00** The Rat Patrol (2808554)

UK LIVING
6.00am Agony Hour (4859844) **7.00** Living Magazine Highlights (3407221) **8.00** Days of Our Lives (6225573) **8.55** Masterchef (2428486) **9.25** Mr Motivator's Mornings (9605414) **9.30** Now You See It (7633739) **10.00** Trivia Trap (3023234) **10.30** Crosswits (6711270) **11.00** Definition (4334592) **11.30** The Young and the Restless (1693825) **12.30pm** Lyn Marshall's Everyday Yoga (29654318) **12.45** Best of Kilroy (7884221) **1.30** On the House (7636825) **2.00** Agony Hour (2673793) **3.00** Jayne's Living Magazine (9715592) **3.45** Gladrags and Glamour (81515554) **4.00** Infatuation (7394757) **4.30** Definition (7383641) **5.00** Rodeo Drive (4126221) **5.30** Madhur Jaffrey's Far Eastern Cookery (7307221) **6.00** FILM: Miles from Nowhere (1991): Rick Schroder cares for his comatose brother (98089370) **7.45** Gladrags and Glamour (1325283) **8.00** The Young and the Restless (7368370) **9.00** FILM: Picnic at Hanging Rock (1975): Atmospheric drama set in turn-of-the-century Australia (80279028) **11.15** Short Shorts (8163318) **11.30-12.00** Housecalls (7623298)

FAMILY CHANNEL
5.00pm The Wonder Years (3582) **5.30** Danger Bay (8399) **6.00** WKRP in Cincinnati (8912) **6.30** Family Catchphrase (2592) **7.00** All Clued Up (8888) **7.30** All Together Now (8776) **8.00** Bordertown (9776) **8.30** The Mighty Jungle (8283) **9.00** Neon Rider (86080) **10.00** The Pyramid Game (49955) **10.30** Newhart (82825) **11.00** Lou Grant (40486) **12.00-1.00am** Remington Steele (97974)

MTV
5.00am Awake on the Wild Side (550596) **8.00** VJ Ingo (521912) **11.00** Soul (61973) **12.00** Greatest Hits (10196) **1.00pm** Summertime (309467) **3.30** Coca-Cola Report (8457931) **3.45** At the Movies (8452486) **4.00** News at Night (3211028) **4.15** 3 from 1 (3234979) **4.30** Dial MTV (9405) **5.00** Hit List UK (95399) **7.00** Greatest Hits (99554) **8.00** Meatloaf Rockumentary (1134) **8.30** ZZ Top Rockumentary (3711) **9.00** Live! (87221) **9.30** Beavis and Butt-Head (11825) **10.00** Coca-Cola Report (339573) **10.15** At the Movies (334028) **10.30** News at Night (178912) **10.45** 3 from 1 (173467) **11.00** Hit List UK (30738) **1.00am** VJ Marijne (13622) **2.00** Night Videos (70945697)

TV ASIA
6.00am Persian Dawn (96641) **6.00** Close (90979) **7.00** Asian Morning (57776) **9.00** Serial: Chand Grehan (12689) **10.00** Pakistani FILM (267202) **1.00pm** Serial: Sona Chandi (50863) **1.30** Hindi FILM (184405) **4.30** Kiddie Time (4573) **5.00-6.00** TVA and You (6825) **7.00** BBCD (1660) **7.30** Serial (6912) **8.00** English News (7183701) **8.15** Hindi FILM (87928793) **11.15** Serial (965950) **12.05am** Five Past Midnight (9463974) **1.35** Sight and Sound (2384214?)

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Continuous cartoons from 5am to 7pm, then TNT films as below.
Theme: Steel Magnolias
7.00pm Cabin in the Cotton (1932): Bette Davis is a Southern belle who destroys the life of an honest sharecropper (36636844)
8.30 I Thank a Fool (1962): Murderess Susan Hayward falls for her prosecutor. With Peter Finch (30177009)
10.20 The Angel Wore Red (1960): Spanish Civil War drama with Ava Gardner and Dirk Bogarde as a prostitute and a priest who fall in love (63526009)
12.10am My Man and I (1952): Romantic drama with Shelley Winters (43940142)
2.00 Midnight Mary (1933): A gangster's moll reflects on her tough life. With Loretta Young and Ricardo Cortez (57332264)
3.25 Women in the Wind (1939): Kay Francis stars in a drama about rivalry at a women's air derby (60739061). Ends at **5.00**

Engineers' chief to quit IoD over support for industry



Melville-Ross: concern

By Ross Tieman
Industrial Correspondent

THE president of the Engineering Employers' Federation is quitting the Institute of Directors in protest against its support for a drive by Michael Portillo, the former treasury secretary, to cut state support for industry. Noel Davies, who is also the chief executive of VSEL, the shipbuilding company, says he will not renew his membership when it falls due in a few weeks' time.

The protest is a personal blow for Tim Melville-Ross, the IoD's new director-general. By backing Mr Portillo, now Employment Secretary, Mr Melville-Ross split the business establishment and added fuel to a battle within government over industrial policy. The Confederation of British Industry had given full support to Michael Heseltine, the President of the Board of Trade, who was resisting Mr Portillo's demands for cuts.

In a personal letter to Mr Melville-Ross, seen by *The Times*, Mr Davies appears to suggest that the IoD director-general, a former chief executive of the Nationwide Building Society, has a poor grasp of industry's needs.

"Your views . . . are contrary to those held by others who, I believe, know and understand the problems of industry best," Mr Davies says. "In particular, they are contrary to those of the Engineering Employers' Federation, of which I am president."

Mr Davies concludes: "The issue is such an important one that I feel obliged to register my protest with you by indicating that I do not intend to renew my membership of the IoD when it becomes due in a few weeks' time."

At the weekend, Mr Davies said he had not wanted his step to become public knowledge, but he felt strongly about government support for industry. "I felt I could not stay as a member of an organisation which was publicly supporting views that were contrary to those of the EEF," he said. Mr Davies read about Mr Portillo's criticism of the DTI's financial support for industry when he returned from holiday at the beginning of the month and was stunned when he saw Mr Melville-Ross's apparent support for Mr Portillo's views. He said industry needed government assistance to compete effectively with heavily subsidised foreign companies in export markets.

In his first formal statement as IoD chief two weeks ago, Mr Melville-Ross said the DTI intervened too much in industry. "I am on the side of Mr Portillo if the message he is trying to get across is to cut government expenditure."

The IoD said Mr Melville-Ross had received only three letters expressing concern about his remarks. He has replied to each personally. "I am naturally concerned to learn that Mr Davies has indicated his intention not to renew his membership," said Mr Melville-Ross.

"I hope he will reconsider when he has a chance to read my explanation of the context in which I expressed the IoD's support for a fundamental review of public expenditure, so we ultimately reach a position where the borrowing requirements and the burden of taxation can be reduced in the interests of all the businesses in the UK."

Midland staff to vote on pay strike

By Jon Ashworth

UP to 20,000 clerical staff at Midland Bank are being urged to strike next month in protest at a take-it-or-leave-it pay offer of 2.25 per cent.

Midland, a subsidiary of HSBC Holdings, which today is expected to announce huge half-year profits, has been accused of "corporate greed" by union officials, who are threatening a series of highly-disruptive one-day strikes.

The call follows growing discontent over profits being turned in by the clearers. Last week, Barclays announced pre-tax profits of £1.04 billion (£335 million) in the six months to end-June.

HSBC Holdings, which acquired Midland in a £4 billion takeover battle in 1992, announces its interim results today, with Sir William Purves, the chairman, due to host a series of presentations in the City, a role he has previously left to John Bond, the chief executive. The City is expecting at least £1.3 billion, which will strengthen the group's record as Britain's most profitable bank.

The Banking and Insurance Finance Union has rejected a non-negotiable 2.25 per cent offer at Midland and has begun balloting its members over strike action. The bank made a record profit of £844 million (£640 million) last year.

The strong showing helped HSBC's full-year 1993 profits to soar 51 per cent to £2.6 billion. The results were underpinned by savage cost-cutting at Midland, which has pruned its branch network from a peak of 2,600 in the 1980s to 1,700.

Bernadette Fisher, Bifu's negotiating officer, said Midland was guilty of "corporate greed of staggering proportions". She said: "Staff at Midland have lived through lean years, but now they want their promised share of the better times. Large profits are being generated, but at the expense of staff salaries."

A Midland spokesman said it would not be appropriate to comment until the outcome of the ballot was known. Voting on possible strike action is due to end on August 26. A series of one-day strikes could follow next month.

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London beats New York in funds battle

By Neil Bennett

■ City fund managers now manage a record $682 billion in equities and are challenging their rivals in Tokyo for world leadership of the investment industry

LONDON has overtaken New York to become the world's second most powerful fund-management capital, as equities under management in the City rose to a record $682 billion last year.

The City's storming success is revealed in a report to be published in the next few weeks by Technimetrics, the investor relations research specialist. It shows that London fund managers are proving to be world-beaters at attracting international investment funds.

Research by Technimetrics shows that the value of shares managed in the City grew by 28 per cent last year. The new total is $25 billion above that in New York, where funds rose by only 12 per cent. This moves the City firmly into second place, behind Tokyo, where share funds are worth $1.163 billion. London is even eroding Japan's once impregnable lead. At the start of the decade, equities managed in Tokyo were worth more than three times those in London. Now, Tokyo's lead has shrunk to 71 per cent.

Technimetrics says that most of the growth of funds in London was caused by the rise in share prices. The FT-All Share index rose by almost 22 per cent during the year. However, Technimetrics says that City fund managers are also attracting billions of dollars from overseas investors. In 1993, Technimetrics estimates, US investors put $8 billion in the City, a quarter of their overseas investment.

The City dominates Europe in terms of equity investment. Its total is almost twice the $342 billion managed in Paris and Frankfurt combined, and more than the combined funds in Zurich and Geneva, which are valued at $619 billion.

London is not the only city in Britain to be climbing the world rankings for equity investment. Edinburgh manages funds worth $107 billion, putting it in 14th place in the world, ahead of Hong Kong, Basle and Sydney and only slightly behind Frankfurt.

Fred Stone, international managing director of Technimetrics, says that the City has many benefits giving it the edge over European rivals. "London is a very transparent market with very efficient trading systems," he said. "American institutions that require aggressive, active fund management are frequently turning to London. There is a long tradition of fund management in Britain and the quality of the individuals entering the industry is very high."

Mr Stone said that 27 American fund managers have now located their international fund management arms in the City. "They are not going to get any smaller," he said.

London managers have also opened up developing markets and begun funds for institutions to invest in areas such as China, India and Russia.

Figures from Technimetrics show how international London's share funds have become. The City now manages $112 billion in overseas equities, up from $86 billion last year. This includes $59 billion in US shares, which is $13 billion more than Tokyo.

Britain is the favourite country of US fund managers buying foreign equities. Four of the top five foreign companies invested in by US funds are British. Shell heads the list, followed by BP, Unilever and Vodafone. US investors have stakes worth a total of almost $30 billion in the four.

The fall in the stock market this year may move New York ahead of London again, but the trend among American pension funds towards international investment will continue to strengthen the City's position. Mr Stone said: "London and New York have been neck and neck for a long time. Given the size of the US market, though, it is astounding that London gets so close."

TOP TEN CITIES

City	Value of equities 1992 1993 ($bn)	
Tokyo	1163	1367
London	682	533
New York	657	584
Zurich	375	333
Boston	369	269
Geneva	244	211
Paris	226	189
S Francisco	218	171
L Angeles	184	141
Chicago	126	102

DENZIL McGEELANCE



Brian Winterflood, right, posts his intentions as the newest gilts market-maker, helped by director Barry Pearl

Mr USM makes gilts debut

BRIAN Winterflood, the man known in the City as Mr USM, becomes Mr Gilt today when his firm starts trading in the gilt-edged market in a bid to capture the rising level of business from private investors. Winterflood Securities, the smaller company market-maker founded by Mr Winterflood, has established a new subsidiary, Winterflood Gilts, which has been authorised by the Bank of England to become the City's 22nd gilt market-maker. The project has been backed by Close Brothers, the merchant bank, which bought Winterflood last year. The firm will specialise in bargains of up to £1 million, as well as odd-sized bargains.

New option is dynamite

By Our City Staff

A NEW variety of derivative has been invented by the City's most innovative securities firms to enable investors to profit from static markets. It is called the dynamite option, and adds a new level of risk in the highly geared derivatives market, since it explodes and becomes worthless if the index or share price it tracks moves out of a specified range.

It is one of the types of options which are becoming fashionable among sophisticated investors this summer. Properly known as "range pay-off notes", they pay out an agreed sum for every day that an index remains within a range. The normal notes expire within an agreed period, such as three or six months.

Investors buying these options are effectively betting against market volatility. The dynamite option is the most extreme version, since holders lose their entire investments if the index edges even momentarily out of a range.

Options like this are being developed and marketed privately by the City's leading derivatives houses, such as Swiss Bank Corporation.

The development comes as a survey by Record Treasury Management, published today, shows that 71 per cent of Britain's finance directors believe derivatives pose a risk to international financial systems. Nevertheless, almost all of them admit using derivatives for hedging interest rate or currency risks.

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Portillo targets industrial tribunals

By Arthur Leathley
Political Correspondent

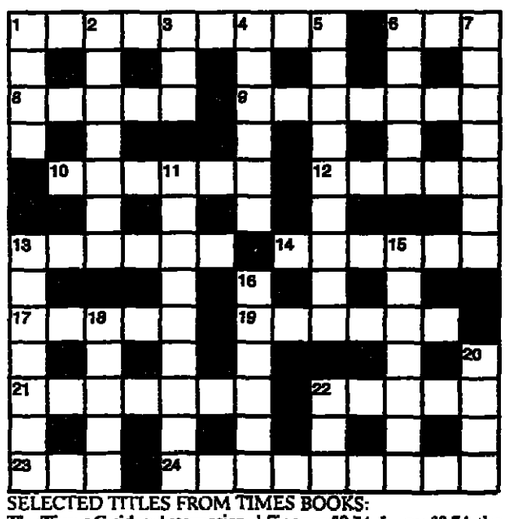
MICHAEL Portillo, the Employment Secretary, is expected to reveal the Government's plans for streamlining the industrial tribunal system "as a matter of urgency". He has made the issue a priority and expects to unveil proposals within weeks of MPs returning to Westminster in October.

Compensation awards by tribunals have spiralled and applications have tripled over the past five years. A review was completed last week and Mr Portillo has made it known that the system cannot continue in its present form.

The cost of running the service has almost doubled, to £27 million, in the past four years and ministers are also concerned about the increasing costs of compensation. Awards in sexual discrimination cases, which until 1992 were limited to £11,000, have since soared; several mothers who lost jobs in the forces received six-figure sums.

Planned changes will include an increase in the number of "chairmen only" panels, which would speed cases up; some complainants have waited two years for hearings.

Proposals are likely to be contained in a Green Paper published in the autumn. There is heavy pressure in the employment department to introduce changes next year.



TIMES TWO CROSSWORD

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ACROSS
1 Winter festival (9)
6 Upper half of dungarees (3)
8 Lukewarm (5)
9 Furniture for relaxing on (7)
10 Plate for throwing (6)
12 Abandon, crash; drainage channel (5)
13 A thrill; shake (6)
14 Pressed lips to (6)
17 Shelf (5)
19 Vacillate; children's plaything (3-3)
21 Huge (7)
22 He fires love's dart (5)
23 The Rock (3)
24 Penetratingly (2,3,4)

DOWN
1 Winsome, pretty (4)
2 Vertebrate of class of tortoise, snake (7)
3 Unhappy (3)
4 Disturb, interfere with (6)
5 Brief quote for TV news (5,4)
6 Father (5)
7 Given a sleeping-place aboard (7)
11 Tightly bound (5-4)
13 (Bell) striking slowly (7)
15 Soap for hair (7)
16 Outlook; facet (6)
18 Discharge to civvy street (5)
20 Advantage (4)
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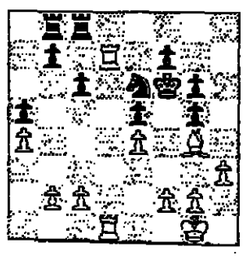
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WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

This position is from the game Xie Jun - Larsen, Monaco 1994. In this position from the recent event between women and veterans, White, despite the reduced material on the board, found a clever way to force checkmate. How did she continue?



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WORD WATCHING

By Philip Howard

NEINEI
a. A shrub
b. A prayer mat
c. An intrusive landform

JUBJUB
a. A melon-like fruit
b. An imaginary bird
c. An ancient Ethiopian tribe

CORDOBA
a. Nicaraguan currency
b. An Aboriginal tool
c. A scorpion

DYSPROSODY
a. A wasting disease
b. A fear of literature
c. A speech impediment

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Solicitor on the trail of incompetence



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Nick Price takes over as the world No 1 golfer

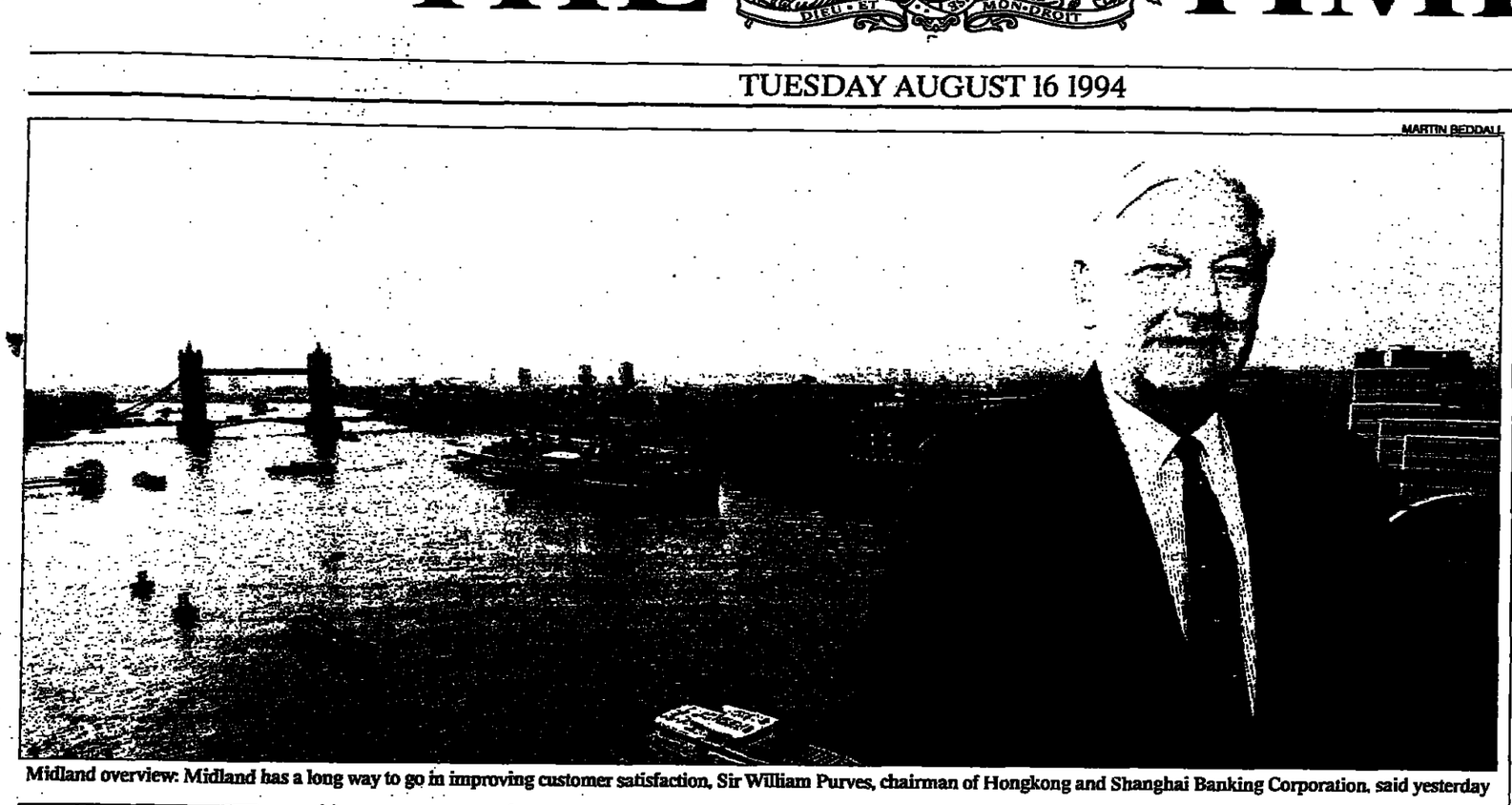
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MARTIN BEDDALL

Midland overview: Midland has a long way to go in improving customer satisfaction, Sir William Purves, chairman of Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, said yesterday

Bank customers get poor service, says HSBC chief

BY ROBERT MILLER

■ Midland Bank staff are being advised by their union to vote for a series of one-day strikes in protest at an imposed pay rise of 2.25 per cent across the board

BRITAIN'S bank customers are receiving a poor service according to Sir William Purves, group chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC), owner of Britain's Midland Bank. Yesterday HSBC celebrated a 24 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £1.5 billion in the six months to June 30 with a 1p increase in the interim dividend to 8p.

Sir William said Midland, which contributed £443 million, an increase of £58 million on the same period last year to HSBC's bottomline, "had a long way to go before it can be complacent" about its customers' service levels.

Provisions for bad debts at Midland fell sharply to £54 million against £321 million. Within the HSBC group as a whole bad debt provisions fell from £432 million to £173 million.

Sir William was commenting after Bifu, the banking, insurance and finance union, urged the bank to make a new pay offer to staff in the light of increased profits. Staff at Midland are advised by the union to vote for a series of one-day strikes in protest at an imposed pay rise of 2.25 per cent.

Bernadette Fisher, negotiating officer at Bifu, said: "Midland can afford a decent offer in the light of these profits."

Sir William commented: "Sadly a few years ago Midland lost ground. It still has a great deal to do. The wage bill in the UK has increased very sharply in the past three years. I have been shocked at the letters I have received from customers."

Midland stood out among HSBC's other holdings after its treasury and capital markets saw a £296 million profit last time turned into a £6 million loss in the first half of this year. As a group, HSBC's dealing profit fell from £522 million to £73 million.

Sir William said: "I believe that in the first half of 1994 many of our peer group suffered similar decreases in profits in the dealing area."

Commenting on Midland's treasury activities, Keith Whitson, the UK bank's chief executive said: "Midland Global Markets, which manages HSBC's treasury activities in London, New York and Tokyo, recorded a disappointing result after last year's exceptional performance. Although losses in the wake of the rise in US interest rates were well controlled, the resultant unsettled conditions created a very difficult trading environment."

First Direct, Midland's telephone banking arm, which reported its first monthly profit in December — almost four years after launch — now has 450,000 customers and 600,000 accounts. Forward Trust Group, which includes Midland's equipment and vehicle financing and factoring activities, made a record pre-tax profit of £41 million against £28 million. Mr Whitson said that since Midland had become part of HSBC it had won 20 big corporate customers.

Elsewhere in the HSBC group Sir William said that Concord Leasing, which reported a half-year loss of £100 million (£22 million loss), was negotiating with the American regulatory authorities to be allowed for its US subsidiary, Marine Midland, to take the leasing arm under its wing. HSBC's Hang Seng Bank contributed half-year attributable profits of £160 million against £144 million. The group's Hongkong Bank saw profits fall on a sterling adjusted basis, from £402 million to £398 million.

HSBC shares, which are listed in London and Hong Kong closed 10p down in London last night at 749p.

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US output growth fuels rate rise fear

BY JANET BUSH

A SLIGHTLY stronger-than-expected rise in US industrial production and a markedly more upbeat assessment of growth prospects in Germany left the financial markets unmoved yesterday as dealers remained fixated on the possibility of rate moves this week in both countries.

The Federal Open Market Committee meets today amid expectations that the Federal Reserve will signal another 25 basis-point rise in Federal funds, the fifth increase this year. Attention is also focused on Thursday's Bundesbank council meeting, with dealers speculating that German rates may be cut.

Yesterday's economic news did little to scotch such rumours. US industrial production rose by 0.2 per cent in July, slightly stronger than expected, while capacity usage was steady at 83.9 per cent.

Günter Rexrodt, the German Economics Minister, said the economy was picking up but inflation was still heading lower. Analysts said stronger growth forecasts should not preclude a cut in German rates on Thursday.

Official estimates for German growth this year have been raised to 2-2.5 per cent from 1-1.5 per cent. Figures out yesterday appeared to confirm a faster growth rate, with west German gdp up 0.5 per cent in the first quarter on the previous quarter and by 2.1 per cent on a year earlier. Herr Rexrodt expects inflation to slow to 2.5 per cent this year.

OFT spells end to book deals

BY LIZ DOLAN



Sir Bryan

THE end of controlled book prices moved a stage nearer yesterday when Sir Bryan Carsberg, director-general of Fair Trading, called for the removal of the publishing industry's net book agreement (NBA).

Sir Bryan announced his intention of taking the case to the Restrictive Practices Court after considering evidence amassed by an OFT inquiry launched last November. The review involved publishers, booksellers, wholesalers, literary agents and librarians.

The NBA prevents retailers from selling most books at less than the official net price. All the leading publishers, except Reed International, have complied. The court is expected to take up to two years to decide, but industry insiders predict several big companies will have withdrawn from the agreement long before then.

Harper Collins and Random House hold the key to the industry's next step. With Reed, they control between 15 and 20 per cent of the £1.4 billion market.

Some commentators say the case will never reach court as members of the Publishing Association will not be prepared to stump up the money to fight the OFT's submission. The industry is meeting next month. Nobody from PA was available to comment.

WH Smith, which remains a supporter of the NBA, said the news was unfortunate, while Pentos, owner of Dillons, the second-largest book chain and long-time campaigner for the end of the NBA, was quick to welcome Sir Bryan's announcement.

Growth in high street sales has slowed, CBI says

BY JANET BUSH
ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

GROWTH in high street sales slowed in July amid evidence that renewed sluggishness in the housing market is harming demand for household goods, according to a survey from the Confederation of British Industry.

Together with data due later this week — expected to show that average earnings growth did not accelerate in June and that headline retail price inflation fell in July — the downbeat tone of the CBI distributive trades survey should weaken the argument for a near-term rise in base rates.

The survey said sales by distributors (who include retailers, wholesalers and motor traders) were slower in the year to July than in the year to June and were below expectations, with stocks now "more excessive in relation to expected demand than at any time over the past year".

In the retail sector, sales volume growth decelerated to the kind of rates of growth seen in March and May. Sales of furniture and carpets were lower than last July's. Motor traders said that sales volumes remained relatively flat in the year to July.

The Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders yesterday declined to confirm rumours that car sales in the first ten days of August, the new registration-letter month, were 4 per cent down on a year ago, with August sales likely to fall short of the August record, set in 1989.

Two held over 'fake Schneider letters'

BY COLIN NARBROUGH

A FORMER director in the collapsed property empire of Jürgen Schneider, the fugitive German tycoon, has been arrested with another man for allegedly faking documents about the company to sell to the press.

The public prosecutor's office said one of the arrested men was picked up at Frankfurt airport last Friday as he was trying to sell a fake letter to a television team. His arrest led to the second man being arrested.

The two men, whose names were not disclosed, had run into problems with their own businesses and sought to use their inside knowledge of the Schneider group to make money, justice officials said.

The two men began by supplying a magazine with a genuine list of Schneider companies, but went on, allegedly, to fake a letter which was published in a weekly magazine. A second forged letter, purporting to be from Herr Schneider to a lawyer, had also been sold, but had not yet appeared in print.

Herr Schneider has been in hiding since he disappeared in April, leaving his company to fail with debts of DM5 billion. He has variously been reported to be living in Switzerland, America, Paraguay, Iran and even Germany.

The public prosecutor recently received a letter from a lawyer instructed to act for Herr Schneider. It was the first contact, albeit indirect, the businessman has made with officials in Germany since he disappeared.

The failure of the Schneider group, which had specialised in upmarket developments in city centres, was the biggest property collapse Germany has seen since the war and prompted heavy criticism of the group's banks.

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BUSINESS EDITOR
Lindsay Cook

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FLOAT



Hanson is floating off a business in a manoeuvre that will more than cover the cost of a bid made earlier this month
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British Gas is to participate in a $3 billion, 2,000-mile gas pipeline across Latin America
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Argos, the catalogue group, says that growth in sales has suffered badly from April's tax increases
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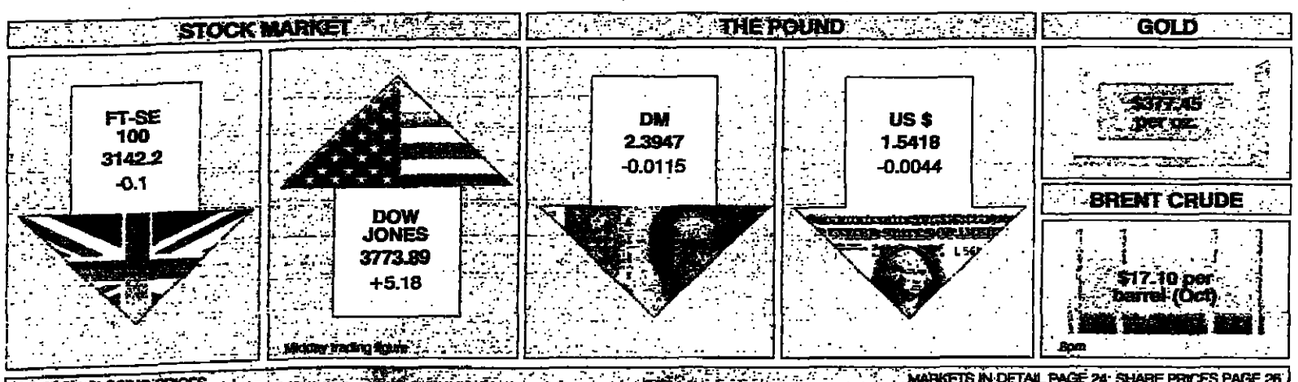
The London Stock Exchange is changing its rules to help channel capital towards emerging countries
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British Gas wins role in $3bn Brazil pipeline

By Martin Waller, Deputy City Editor

A CONSORTIUM including British Gas has been chosen to start work on a 2,000-mile natural gas pipeline running from the Bolivian gas fields to markets in south and south eastern Brazil.

The proposed pipeline will cost $1.8 billion to build if work goes ahead, but a further $1.6 billion will be spent on developing power generation in the target market, $800 million on proving and developing Bolivia's gas reserves and $400 million on a distribution network in Brazil itself.

British Gas is in partnership with BHP of Australia and Tenneco Gas of the US to draw up a feasibility study. This is expected to be complete by June next year, which is when construction work is set to start, with the first gas flowing by 1997.

The project is potentially the biggest undertaken by British Gas, which describes itself as the world's largest fully integrated gas supplier, although the company is already involved in South America through its 29 per cent holding in Metrogas, which supplies 1.75 million people in Buenos Aires.

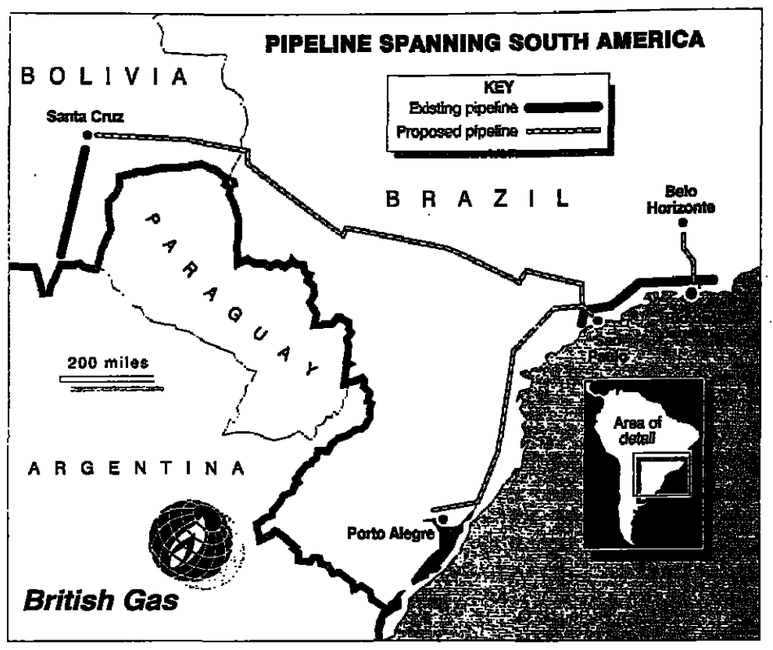
The consortium will work with Petroleo Brasileiro, the state-owned oil and gas company, and has hopes of becoming involved in the financing of the project as well as the construction. The aim is to develop Brazil's natural gas industry and develop new markets for the fuel, including power generation, industry and domestic consumers.

Southern and south eastern Brazil has a population of 85 million and accounts for more than 80 per cent of that country's industrial consumption and three-quarters of its energy use.

British Gas already works in 45 countries across five continents providing consultancy and other services in the gas market.

□ BHP Minerals, a division of Australia's largest mining group, BHP, plans to build a A$750 million (£360 million) iron plant near Port Hedland, Western Australia, which would have an annual capacity of 2 million tonnes. BHP says demand for the iron, which in its final form as hot briquetted iron can be transported safely, is growing. If the project is given the go-ahead, construction would start by mid-1995 and be completed in 1997.

BHP says it has already opened discussions with potential customers for the end product. The project is conditional on various approvals, including that of BHP's board and on agreements covering satisfactory gas supply and prices. The plant would eventually have a permanent workforce of 160.



DBS turns round with £1m profit

DBS Management, comprising more than 1,000 independent financial advice offices, is back in the black (Robert Miller writes). Profits in the year to March 31 were £1 million, despite a provision of £1.5 million against home-income plans wrongly sold to elderly investors. Last time DBS made a £518,000 loss.

Turnover for the DBS network rose £13 million to £50 million and the dividend rises 2p to 10p. DBS said it had been in the forefront of attempts to negotiate a final settlement with the home-income planholders. These plans were based on volatile equity investments instead of traditional, fixed-interest annuity schemes.

Welsh Water ready for more job cuts

By Our Deputy City Editor

WELSH Water is taking a £17 million provision this year to cover further big reductions in its workforce, including 230 jobs in the current financial year, from April 1.

Those 230 have already come forward under a voluntary severance and early retirement programme and been identified.

Welsh Water will lose an additional 180 in 1995-96, again by voluntary severance under a deal with unions that requires no compulsory redundancies.

As a result, the company's workforce will decline from 3,500 at the time of the 1989 privatisation to 2,600 by the 1996-97 financial year. A spokesman said that the job losses, which were announced yesterday to the City along with an update on Welsh Water's business plan, would take place across all parts of the company.

"No one is being made redundant on a compulsory basis," the spokesman said.

Of the current-year provision, £10 million relates to this year's job losses and the balance will be spent next year.

The company defended the cuts, which have been announced at a time when the various privatised utilities are in the news for excessive executive pay and other remuneration packages.

"Everything has been done in full consultation and co-operation with the staff," the spokesman said.

SE widens access to Third World markets

By George Sivell
Assistant Business Editor

THE London Stock Exchange is seeking a share in the growing business of raising capital for emerging countries. Changes in the rules to promote the listing of depositary receipts, the main vehicle through which shares issued by the developing world are traded, became effective yesterday.

Depositary receipts are tradeable certificates representing shares that are normally traded on exchanges not easily accessible to outside investors. Previous Stock Exchange rules had decreed that the depositary receipts could only be listed if the underlying shares were also listed.

The new rules are based on European Community listing requirements, which are less onerous than those governing shares. Depositary receipts are usually marketed internationally to sophisticated investors such as institutions.

Of the $31 billion raised in the first seven months of 1994 from 81 new international equity issues, almost 80 per cent were tradeable as depositary receipts.

Michael Lawrence, chief executive of the Stock Exchange, said: "The listing and trading of depositary receipts is a growing trend globally and there is great interest among market participants in promoting this business in London."

The listing of depositary receipts is similar to the listing of Eurobonds. The London Stock Exchange's Capital Markets Group, a specialist unit within the listing department, will become responsible for both. It already looks at 3,740 Eurobonds. At present, 470 overseas companies have a listing on the London Stock Exchange. Already there are 90 depositary receipts traded on the London Stock Exchange via the Seaq International system.

"The London Stock Exchange is already the world's major centre for listing overseas companies' shares, and we also have considerable expertise and great success in listing international capital-market instruments. The new rules covering depositary receipts form a natural extension to the service we already offer to companies, market participants and international investors."

David Landman, executive director at Morgan Stanley, said: "We welcome this development. It will improve access to international investors in London and European markets for businesses in emerging economies which need capital to grow.

"London's pre-eminent position as a global financial centre will be strengthened as a result," he added.

Business Roundup

Viacom's earnings increase five times

VIACOM has reported second-quarter net earnings of $222 million, up by more than five times on the same period last year, and said that underlying trends point to its long-term growth. Earnings per share rose by $1.44, from 35 cents in the April-to-June period in 1993. Revenues jumped from $496 million to $1.7 billion.

However, the company recorded a net loss of $232 million for the first half of the year, against net earnings in 1993 of $123 million, but took charges related to takeover of Paramount Communications, totalling $315 million, in the first quarter. The results reflect Viacom's 50.2 per cent ownership of Paramount during the period. Viacom completed its $10 billion acquisition of Paramount on July 7, beating the QVC home-shopping network, led by Barry Diller. Third-quarter results will reflect full ownership. Sumner Redstone, president, said: "Viacom's results this quarter are spectacular. These are great days for Viacom."

Huntingdon slumps

HUNTINGDON International, the life sciences group, suffered a plunge in profits in the three months to June 30. Net income slumped to £574,000, from £2.77 million a year ago. Net income for the nine months to June fell by 58 per cent, to £1.53 million. Ian Campbell has said that he will step down as chairman and a director once the company finds a replacement. In May, Huntingdon announced a strategic review and asked Kleinwort Benson, its merchant bank, to find a buyer for its American engineering and environmental services business. The company says that it is now in talks with several potential buyers.

Procord under offer

PROCORD, a management buyout from IBM three years ago, has had an undisclosed takeover offer. The offer comes from Johnson Controls, the US control systems and services group that also makes automotive items and provides facilities management services in north America and Asia, including government installations such as the Cape Canaveral air force base. Procord has annual sales of about £80 million. Its clients include British Gas, British Petroleum, Asda, the superstores chain, and IBM in Britain. John Jack, managing director, is looking to the deal to provide accelerated expansion, particularly in Europe.

BOC buys Dutch group

THE BOC Group, the industrial gases and healthcare group, is expanding its vacuum technology interests by buying the Calumatic group of The Netherlands for up to £10.7 million in a profit-related deal. Calumatic supplies filling, sterilising and capping lines to the pharmaceutical industry, and will be integrated with BOC's Edwards Freeze Drying division. The resulting BOC Edwards Calumatic will market complete packaging solutions for a variety of injectable formulations. Calumatic's operations complement BOC's factory in New York state, and its annual turnover is estimated at £10 million. 90 per cent of it exports. BOC shares rose by 8p, to 733p.

Sales boom at Malaya

MALAYA, the luxury car dealership group, increased sales almost fivefold in the first half of the year and returned to profit thanks to recent acquisitions. The company pulled itself up to a profit of £503,000, against a £153,000 loss last time. The group is resuming dividend payments, with an interim payout of 0.25p. The two acquisitions that the group made in the half year added Lotus, Fiat, Peugeot and Suzuki franchises, and contributed £28 million of the £58 million increase in sales, up from £15 million to £73 million, and almost half the profits. Malaya said that it is now developing Big Chief, its used car network.

Sweet dreams at Relyon

RELYON Group, the bed manufacturer, increased pre-tax profits by 35 per cent to £2.6 million in the first half of the year. The company said it had performed well despite difficult market conditions and announced plans for an advertising campaign in the autumn. Relyon said that its foam-making operation was exploiting niches in the industry but that the market remained price competitive. Photo-Scan, the closed-circuit television rental subsidiary, continues to enjoy strong demand and increased turnover by 12 per cent. Relyon's sales grew by 8 per cent to £22 million and the interim dividend is being increased by 0.2p to 2.1p.

Bank of Ireland sells BCT

By Our City Staff

BANK of Ireland has sold British Credit Trust (BCT), its UK finance house subsidiary, for £25 million to a consortium of lawyers and accountants including Anthony Surtees, who is also the independent reviewer of complaints for the Institute of Chartered Accountants for England and Wales, Mark Lorimer and Dr Roger Gewolb, both lawyers.

BCT was acquired by Bank of Ireland in 1978 and provided financial services including hire purchase and small ticket leasing. Bank of Ireland, which made record pre-tax profits of Ir£280 million (£253 million) in the year to March 31, withdrew BCT from general instalment credit business in 1990. BCT then had a book in excess of £400 million. This has been shrunk to £8 million after bad debt provisions.

Philips Electronics N.V.

Philips Group

Half-Yearly Statement to 30th June 1994

REPORT ON THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PHILIPS GROUP

Sales in the first half of 1994 rose by 3% to NLG 27,958 million. Disregarding the effects of exchange rate movements and consolidation changes the sales increase was 6%. Income from operations increased from NLG 1,045 million (3.8% of sales) in the first half of 1993 to NLG 1,574 million (5.6% of sales). Financing costs were NLG 158 million lower, mainly due to reduced bank borrowings. The effective tax rate was 25% compared with 20% in 1993.

Net income from normal business operations amounted to NLG 662 million (NLG 2.01 per share) compared with NLG 220 million (NLG 0.70 per share) last year.

In the first half of last year an extraordinary gain of NLG 1,100 million (NLG 3.49 per share) arose from the sale of the 35% interest in MEC Japan. This year there have been no extraordinary items.

Trend per product sector

On a comparable base sales in the Lighting sector went up by 1%. Higher sales were recorded particularly in Europe, due to the upswing in the lamp market and the automobile industry. Income from operations was up slightly from NLG 486 million to NLG 491 million.

Comparable sales growth in the Consumer Electronics sector was 6% in the first half year. Following a stagnant first quarter, an increase of 14% was achieved in the second quarter. Colour television sales benefited from the World Cup Soccer.

Income from operations turned from a loss of NLG 113 million in the first half of 1993 to a profit of NLG 211 million in the reporting period.

The Other Consumer Products sector realized 5% sales growth on a comparable base. Both PolyGram and Domestic Appliances and Personal Care contributed to this development. Income from operations was flat at NLG 380 million compared to NLG 357 million last year.

The comparable sales increase in the Components and Semiconductors sector came to 19%. High growth in the semiconductor market and in colour picture tubes were the main factors. Strong sales and high capacity utilization resulted in an increase in income from operations from NLG 457 million last year to NLG 750 millions.

Sales and income from operations of the Professional Products and Systems sector were unfavourably influenced by the continuing unsatisfactory performance of the Communication Systems division. Medical Systems was adversely affected, particularly in the second quarter, by the development of the US dollar and lower sales. With a comparable sales decrease of 4% income from operations of the sector turned from a profit of NLG 55 million last year to a loss of NLG 61 million. In the first half of 1993 this sector included the profitable defence business of MESC in the United States of America, which was divested last October.

The Miscellaneous sector reported 8% sales growth, with income from operations slightly higher at NLG 149 million (NLG 144 million in 1993).

Balance Sheet Ratios and Cash Flows

Inventories, as a percentage of sales were 18.4% versus 20.1% at the end of June 1993. Outstanding trade receivables amounted to the equivalent of 1.7 months' sales (1.8 months at June 1993). The financing surplus in the reporting period came to NLG 828 million against NLG 4,701 million in the first half of 1993, which included NLG 3 billion proceeds from the sale of our interest in MEC, Japan. The lower surplus, excluding MEC, was mainly caused by the higher working capital needed for the increased sales. A reduction of long-term debt resulted in an improvement of the ratio of net debt (long-term and short-term debt) net of cash and cash equivalents to group equity from 40/60 at year-end 1993 to 36:64 at the end of June 1994.

Share in Net Income of Unconsolidated Companies

The profit from our 40%-shareholding in the semiconductor business TSMC in Taiwan was offset by the disappointing developments in Whittaker Communications of the United States of America, a 33%-owned Philips subsidiary. We considered it prudent to take an additional amortization charge in respect of goodwill.

Personnel

The sharp increase in activities in the second quarter caused the number of employees to go up by 3,000, against a reduction of 1,900 in the first quarter. The headcount at the end of June stood at 241,100.

Outlook

On the basis of the half year performance we are rather more encouraged with respect to the future than we were some six months ago. Continued strong demand in Asia and the Americas is supported by a recovery in some European countries.

The growth rate of the first half will probably not be sustained in the balance of the year for two reasons: firstly the one time effect of the World Cup Soccer and secondly the impact of a weak dollar.

There is however reason to believe that this year's performance in terms of net income from normal business operations will be substantially better than last year.

Philips Electronics N.V.
BOARD OF MANAGEMENT
August 11, 1994

BALANCE SHEETS AND CASH FLOWS

Amounts in millions of guilders

Consolidated balance sheets	June 30 1994	December 31 1993
Fixed assets	17,743	18,682
Inventories	10,976	9,681
Receivables	14,187	15,599
Cash and cash equivalents	1,687	2,322
Total assets	44,593	46,284
Issued, paid-up capital	3,351	3,281
Surplus and reserves	8,396	8,168
Stockholders' equity	11,747	11,449
Other group equity	1,601	1,610
Group equity	13,348	13,059
Provisions	8,022	8,946
Long-term debt	6,149	7,613
Short-term debt	3,217	3,104
Other current liabilities	12,857	13,362
Total equity and liabilities	44,593	46,284

Consolidated statements of cash flows	January to June 1994	1993
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income	662	1,320
Depreciation and amortization (in) tangible fixed assets	1,450	1,572
(Increase) decrease in working capital	(605)	1,163
Increase (decrease) in provisions	258	(209)
Other adjustments	146	(992)
Net cash generated by operating activities	1,911	2,854
Net cash (required for) generated by investing activities	(1,083)	1,647
Financing surplus before financing activities	828	4,701

STATEMENTS OF INCOME*

Amounts in millions of guilders	2nd quarter 1994	2nd quarter 1993	Jan to June 1994	Jan to June 1993
Net sales	14,384	13 491	27,958	27,242
Income from operations	879	485	1,574	1,045
Financial income and expenses	(226)	(278)	(480)	(638)
Income before taxes	653	207	1,094	407
Income taxes	(163)	(39)	(273)	(81)
Income after taxes	490	168	821	326
Equity in income of unconsolidated companies	6	7	2	17
Share of other group equity in group income	(94)	(58)	(161)	(123)
Net income from normal business operations	402	117	662	220
Extraordinary items – net	–	1,100	–	1,100
Net income	402	1,217	662	1,320

INCOME RATIOS*

Income from operations as a % of net sales	6.1	3.6	5.6	3.8
Per common share, par value NLG 10 (in guilders):				
Net income from normal business operations	1.22	0.37	2.01	0.70
Net income	1.22	3.86	2.01	4.19
Net income based on US GAAP	1.11	3.71	1.77	2.96
Income from operations as a % of net operating capital (RONA)			18.4	10.6
Net income from normal business operations as % of stockholders' equity (ROE)			11.4	4.5

BALANCE SHEET RATIOS*

Stockholders' equity per common share, par value NLG 10 (in guilders)	35.19	33.27
Net debt: group equity ratio	38:64	48:52
Inventories as a % of net sales	18.4	20.1
Outstanding trade receivables, before deduction of receivables sold, in months' sales	1.7	1.8
Number of employees at end of June (comparable figure on 1.1.1994: 241,000)	241,100	254,000

* The data recorded in this report are unaudited

PRODUCT SECTORS

NET SALES

Amounts in millions of guilders	January to June 1994 net sales	1994 % growth nominal	1994 % growth comparable*	January to June 1993 net sales	1993 % growth nominal	1993 % growth comparable*
Lighting	3,962	2	1	3,875	3	2
Consumer Products:						
Consumer Electronics	9,778	5	6	9,277	(4)	(3)
Other Consumer Products	5,173	7	5	4,833	4	6
Components and Semiconductors	4,334	17	19	3,698	3	10
Professional Products and Systems	3,658	(17)	(4)	4,376	(10)	(5)
Miscellaneous	1,883	(10)	9	1,183	(5)	5
Total	27,958	3	6	27,242	(2)	0

* Adjusted to take account of the effect of exchange rate movements and changes in consolidations

INCOME

	January to June 1994 deliveries	income (loss) from operations	as a % of deliveries**	1993 deliveries	income (loss) from operations	as a % of deliveries**
Lighting	4,022	491	12.2	3,832	486	12.4
Consumer Products:						
Consumer Electronics	10,584	211	2.0	9,508	(110)	(1.2)
Other Consumer Products	5,299	368	6.8	4,863	357	7.3
Components and Semiconductors	6,083	750	12.3	5,279	437	8.3
Professional Products and Systems	3,899	(61)	(1.6)	4,481	55	1.2
Miscellaneous	2,066	149	7.2	2,139	144	6.7
Cost of basic research and patents		(117)			(90)	
Costs and revenues not allocated		(299)			(231)	
Total	31,953	1,574		30,201	1,045	
Internal deliveries	(3,995)			(2,959)		
Net sales	27,958			27,242		
Income from operations as a % of net sales		5.6			3.8	

** 1993 figures adjusted for the reclassification of the Key Modules Group.

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LEGAL NOTICES

AMERICAN HOSPITAL SUPPLY (UK) LIMITED COMPANY NUMBER 1170123
BENTLEY LABORATORIES LIMITED COMPANY NUMBER 1263176
AMERICAN HOSPITAL SUPPLY (UK) PENSION TRUSTEES LIMITED COMPANY NUMBER 1647188
HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT & SUPPLIES (GLASGOW) LIMITED COMPANY NUMBER 111461
HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT & SUPPLIES (SOUTHERN) LIMITED COMPANY NUMBER 078711
ALL IN MEMBERS VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)
NOTICE TO THE CREDITORS OF THE ABOVE NAMED COMPANIES
On 9 August 1994 the companies were placed in members' voluntary liquidation and Anthony Victor Lomas of Price Waterhouse was appointed liquidator by the shareholders.
The liquidator gives notice under the provisions of Rule 4.182A of the Insolvency Rules 1986 that the creditors of each company must send details, in writing, of any claim against the company to the liquidator, at No 1 London Bridge London SE1 9QL, by 9 September 1994 which is the last day for proving claims. The liquidator also gives notice that he will then make a final distribution to creditors and that a creditor who does not make a claim by the date mentioned will not be included in the distribution Each company is able to pay all its known creditors in full.
Date 11 August 1994 AV Lomas Liquidator.

BOWERCROFT LIMITED
IN LIQUIDATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Joint Liquidators of the above Company intend, within the four months from 2nd September 1994, to declare a first dividend to the Unsecured Creditors of the said Company, and that any such Creditors desiring to participate in such dividend must, on or before the date above, send in his full name, address and full particulars of his debt or claim to the undersigned. Melvyn Laurence Rose, of Elliot, Woolfe & Rose, Lygon House, 250 Kingsbury Road, London, NW9 0BS, the Joint Liquidator of the said Company.
MELVYN L. ROSE JOINT LIQUIDATOR.

CHARITY COMMISSION
Charity - Roman Catholic purposes in connection with The English Region of the Sisters of Charity of St Jeanne Antide.
The Commissioners propose to make a Scheme for this charity. A copy of the draft Scheme can be seen at Stone King & Wardle Solicitors and Commissioners for Oaths 13 Queen Square, Bath BA1 2HJ (ref K/93868), or obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to St Alban's House, 57/60 Haymarket, London, SW1Y 4QX quoting reference RDT/24571/2A/1-CD(Lim-4). Comments or representations can be made within one month from today.

Certificate of Appointment of Trustee by Creditor's Meeting.
IN THE TUNBRIDGE WELLS COUNTY COURT
No. 21 of 1993
RE: ROBERT MARK GORDON
This is to certify that a meeting of the creditors of the above-named bankrupt was held on: 22 July 1994, Jacqueline Barbara Stephenson of Neville Russell 246 Bishopsgate LONDON EC2M 4PB, having provided a written statement that she is qualified to act as an insolvency practitioner in relation to the above-named bankrupt under the provisions of the Insolvency Act 1986 and that she consents so to act, was appointed trustee of the above-named bankrupt's estate. Dated: 3 August 1994. Signed A W IRONSIDE Chairman.

CHARITY COMMISSION
Charity - The Islamic Trust, Oxfordshire
The Commissioners propose to make a scheme for this charity. A copy of the draft Scheme can be seen at MORRELL, PEEL & GAMLEN 1 ST GILES' OXFORD OX1 3JR (ref.AGP), or obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to Woodfield House, Tangier, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 4BL, quoting reference MN-293072A/1-CDT2). Comments or representations can be made within one month from today.

DRENRAY LIMITED
IN CREDITORS VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION
Notice is hereby given that the Creditors of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before 30th September 1994, to send in their full Christian and Surnames, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to Ian Frances of 24 Conduit Place, London W2 1EP, the Liquidator of the said company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are, personally or by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved. Dated this 11th day of August 1994 I. Frances Liquidator.

INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
RULE 4.106 (1)
HARRISONS (BEXLEYHEATH) LIMITED
IN CREDITORS VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ian Frances, Licenced Insolvency Practitioner of Ian Frances Associates, Conduit House, 24 Conduit Place, London W2 1EP was appointed liquidator of the above-named company on the 9th August 1994.
All creditors who have not already done so are invited to prove their debts in writing to Mr Eric Popat at Conduit House, 24 Conduit Place, London W2 1EP. I Frances Liquidator.

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RULE 4.106(1)
EUROCORD LIMITED
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INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
RULE 4.106(1)
PLUM ADVERTISING LIMITED
IN CREDITORS VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION
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All creditors who have not already done so are invited to prove their debts in writing to Mr Eric Popat at Conduit House, 24 Conduit Place, London W2 1EP. I Frances Liquidator.

SECTION 293 OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
KATHLEEN PARKINSON IN BANKRUPTCY
TAKE NOTICE THAT I, Michael William Young of Morton Thornton & Co, Torrington House, 47 Holywell Hill, St Albans, Hertfordshire, AL1 1HD, was appointed to act as Trustee in Bankruptcy of Kathleen Parkinson on 13th July 1994 by an order of the Secretary of State dated 5th July 1994. DATED this 11th day of August 1994 M W YOUNG - TRUSTEE IN BANKRUPTCY.

SECTION 293 OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
HENRY RICHARDSON IN BANKRUPTCY
TAKE NOTICE that I, Michael William Young of Morton Thornton & Co, Torrington House, 47 Holywell Hill, St Albans, Hertfordshire, AL1 1HD, was appointed to act as Trustee in Bankruptcy of Henry Richardson on 16th June 1994 by an order of the Secretary of State dated 8th June 1994. DATED this 11th day of August 1994 M W YOUNG - TRUSTEE IN BANKRUPTCY.

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
INTERLINK TIMBER PRODUCTS LIMITED (IN ADMINISTRATIVE RECEIVERSHIP)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 48 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of the above named company will be held at Price Waterhouse, Victoria House, 75 Milton Street, Nottingham, NG1 3QY, on the 26th day of August 1994 at 10.00 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of considering a report on the events leading up to the appointment of joint administrative receivers, progress in the receivership and to elect a committee to represent the creditors. Dated this 5th day of August 1994. R J REES FCA Joint Administrative Receiver.
NOTES
1. A creditor will be entitled to vote at the meeting only if details of the amount claimed to be due from the company have been lodged with me at THE ABOVE ADDRESS no later than 12.00 noon on the business day before the day fixed for the meeting and the claim has been admitted in accordance with the Insolvency Rules 1986. 2. Creditors may vote either in person or by proxy and a form of proxy is included herewith. A proxy should be lodged with me, if possible before the meeting. 3. A company may vote either through a representative producing a certified copy of a board resolution appointing him, or by proxy. 4. A secured creditor is entitled to vote in respect of the balance (if any) of his debt deducting the value of his security as estimated by him. He must lodge in accordance with note 1 a statement giving particulars of his security, the date when it was given and the value at which he assesses it. Creditors who are wholly secured are not entitled to be represented or to vote.

The Insolvency Act 1986
PERFECT RESPONSE LIMITED (In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Eric William Sheppard FIPA of Poppleton & Appleby, 4 Clarendon Square, London, EC1M 6EN was appointed Liquidator of the said Company by the Members and Creditors on 11th August 1994. E.W.SHEPPARD, FIPA - Liquidator.

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
RATHBONE BROS (RETAIL) LIMITED (IN RECEIVERSHIP)
REGISTERED NUMBER 1802126

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 46(2) of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a meeting of the Creditors of the above named Company will be held at 10.00 am on Thursday the 25th day of August 1994 at the offices of Price Waterhouse, York House, York Street, Manchester, M2 4WS for the purposes mentioned in Section 48 and 49 of the said Act.

A form of proxy can be obtained from A J P Brereton at Price Waterhouse, York House, York Street, Manchester, M2 4WS. The form of proxy must be completed and lodged at the offices of Price Waterhouse, not later than 12 noon on Wednesday the 24th day of August 1994, together with details in writing of the debt claimed to be due from the company.

Creditors whose claims are wholly secured are not entitled to attend or to be represented at the meeting.
Creditors should note that the meeting is not for the purpose of appointing a liquidator to the company.
Dated this 5th day of August 1994
A J P Brereton Joint Administrative Receiver.

THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
RULE 4.106(1)
K M R Services Limited
In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation
WE HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that, following the resignation of Philip Rodney Sykes Licensed Insolvency Practitioner of B D O Binder Hamlyn, 20 Old Bailey, London EC4M 7BH as Joint Liquidator, Anthony Peter Superstone Licensed Insolvency Practitioner, Stoy Hayward, 8 Baker Street, London, W1M 1DA continues in office as Joint Liquidator and Vivian Murray Balsitow, Licensed Insolvency Practitioner, of Robson Rhodes, 186 City Road, London EC1V 2NU was appointed Joint Liquidator of the above named company, in place of the said Philip Rodney Sykes, on 11th July 1994. All debts and claims should be sent to the offices of Stoy Hayward at the above address.
All creditors who have not already done so are invited to prove all their debts in writing to us. No further public advertisement or invitation to prove debts will be given. Dated: 11 August 1994 A P Superstone & V M Balsitow Joint Liquidators.

☐ Strikes are not worst threat to rail privatisation ☐ Switching the rules on power share dealing ☐ Tests for life assurers

Red signal for Railtrack

☐ JIMMY Knapp, the commuter's friend according to a weekend opinion poll, has warned potential investors in a privatised British railway system not to waste their money. An old-fashioned union bully-boy threat? Seemingly not. Mr Knapp's RMT union bases its advice on a simple financial analysis. Newcomers will need to invest too much to make it worth their while. Perhaps, though there may be a little wishful thinking here.

There is certainly another, more insidious, threat to the rail reforms. Gross subsidies will rise as a result of profits in a few businesses no longer being netted off against losses in the rest. Yet operating subsidies are bound to come under continuous Treasury pressure, whichever party is in power. This will start to matter as soon as Railtrack, the utility element of the railways, is sold as a profitable concern to the public.

The plan is for the cost savings at Railtrack, such as the signalling re-organisation now at issue, to be used to raise its rate of return, fattening it up for the only conventional public flotation likely to feature in rail privatisation. But that foists the increased pressures on subsidies on the private franchisees, who would already have the riskier task of running services. Few are likely to prosper unless Railtrack cost savings are funnelled instead into lower charges to users, relieving the subsidy pressures.

Unless some rapid rethinking is going on at Brian Mawhinney's Department of Transport, there will be no rapid privatisation of Railtrack. Indeed, if there were such thoughts, the poll evidence of its management's low credibility would surely still them fast. Barring some dramatic reverse in Labour's lead in the main opinion polls, it would also be impractical to sell Railtrack to the public during the year before the next election. Labour would, after all, threaten to reverse the sale. In practice that probably means any privatisation would need to be in the next eighteen months. Conclusion: no new plan to sell Railtrack before the next election.

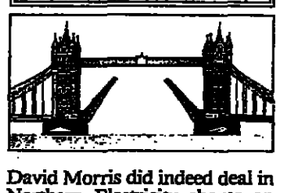
In reality, that thought might reduce uncertainty and help the task of franchising the services, hardware and other bits and pieces of the system. Depending on their early performance, a Labour government might not prove as hostile to every private rail service franchise as it is in advance. Whatever the rhetoric, the advantages of having a regulator to blame for any deficiencies are manifest. Labour's John Prescott did, after all, champion private finance for rail investment.

One element of the reforms certainly deserves to survive. That is separating the provision of services from the financing and management of the utility rail infrastructure — even if the management personnel change. And that means that pressure for cost-saving productivity gains in areas such as signalling will not go away.

Forked lightning

☐ THEY couldn't really have been that stupid, could they? Short of mugging pensioners or robbing the church poor box, the electricity bosses could hardly blacken their reputations further than by being caught using some of their ill-gotten options gains on insider trading. So far, the evidence is underwhelming.

PENNINGTON



David Morris did indeed deal in Northern Electricity shares on July 5, shortly after the company came out of its closed period and a month before the regulator's review, but not only is Mr Morris a transparently nice and honest person, he actually sold, which hardly suggests Boesky-like cunning.

Denis Cassidy bought into Seeboard last week after his approval as non-executive director at the annual meeting, the usual gesture of confidence in the company to be expected by anyone joining the board, and the transaction was registered with the Stock Exchange. This again hardly implies furtive or dishonest dealings, although Mr Cassidy might for the sake of appearances have done better to wait another four days until the review was published.

Any truly suspicious buying will presumably appear in the fullness of time — or not, if the results of other Stock Exchange insider dealing investigations are anything to go by. Either way, it is doubtful if the rules are tight enough yet. There should be a closed season of, say, two months ahead of any such review, given that the process can leak like a sieve and those in the know, including non-executives attending board meetings, have a good idea of which way the wind is blowing.

Such a closed period should logically also include the exercise of executive share options. The only other question is over which companies the restrictions should cover. Currently, there is no requirement for an executive in a fictional Western Electricity to announce the purchase of shares in an equally fictitious North Eastern once he knows Western is on a roll with the regulator, or better, to spread his risk by buying into half a dozen off his turf. It is also arguable, under current legislation, whether this constitutes insider dealing. Given the potential for abuse, it certainly should.

Sins of commission

☐ ONE by one, the more aggressive life-assurance companies are beginning to abandon commission-only payments to their own agents: Norwich Union, Barclays Life and now Sun Life. As these dominoes fall in slow motion, the scales will fall much faster from the eyes of potential customers, who doubtless thought full-time officials of big-name companies were actually paid some kind of living wage. In too many companies, that is still not the case.

These changes are not happening fast enough. But they are a start. As a general rule of thumb, buyers of a life-assurance product should now think of the advantages of using an independent broker rather than any agents who have only one set of products to sell but who still depend wholly on commission. Methods of payment for selling are important. But they are only one essential step on a long road of reforms. Converting some commission payments into salary or bonuses does not of itself cut the costs of selling.

Next year, regulations forcing disclosure will let the public know the impact of these costs. In most cases, they are far too high. Excessive selling costs undermine the best investment performance. That explains why, year in, year out, policies bought from low-key companies with low costs tend to perform relatively well.

Many big mainstream life companies now face huge challenges. They are being cut out of captive markets just as traditional selling methods become untenable. Not all will survive the test intact.

Direction faulty

☐ TIM Melville-Ross, peacemaker at heart, clearly faces a steep learning curve at the Institute of Directors. His first public statement was meant to soften its tone for the Blair/-Major age. Instead, his implied support for axing all state aids to industry has swiftly led to the president of the still-powerful Engineering Employers Federation jumping ship. The curse of Portillo strikes again.

BP considers investing in Venezuela

BP, the oil group, may invest up to $1 billion in Venezuela (George Sivell writes).

John Browne, BP Oil's chief executive, said in Caracas: "Provided it finds the right exploration and production projects, British Petroleum could invest up to $1 billion in Venezuela over the next few years."

He did not specify what new projects BP was considering but the company has worked closely with the state-run Petroleos de Venezuela since the country's oil industry was nationalised in 1976. Co-operation centred on production of the orimulsion fuel substitute.

BP is presently working on a huge oil find in Colombia and is negotiating rights to a large oilfield in the Caspian Sea.

MARTIN BEDDALL



David Cardwell, chief executive of Copyright Promotions, and Richard Cully, managing director, celebrate their company's stock market debut with Fred Flintstone, whose copyright they handle. The shares rose 2p, to 122p.

Hanson to gain $200m by floating Ertl toys stake

BY COLIN CAMPBELL

HANSON is planning an autumn stock exchange offering in America of up to 63 per of its holding in The Ertl Company of Dyersville, Iowa, maker of die-cast toys and plastic model kits, in a move that will bring in cash of $200 million.

The proposed sale follows the filing of a registration statement with the US Securities and Exchange Commission for an initial public offering of 8.5 million shares in Ertl at an indicated price of $16 a share. Hanson's residual stake in Ertl will have an imputed value of $80 million.

Christopher Collins, a mainboard director of Hanson in London, said the share offering was part of Hanson's policy of concentrating on its main businesses and reducing debt.

Ertl, which employs 1,800 and has an operation in Britain, came into the Hanson fold in 1987 with Hanson's $1.6 billion takeover of the Kidde conglomerate. It now forms part of Hanson Industries' recreation and leisure division, and in fiscal 1993 reported a turnover of $186 million on which it earned net profits of $9.6 million.

The offering of shares this autumn is "subject to satisfactory market conditions", Hanson said. Ertl will use the proceeds, together with bank borrowings, to fund payments to Hanson of about $200 million.

Upon completion of the offering, Hanson will continue to own up to 37 per cent of Ertl.

A Hanson spokesman said there was "no magic" in determining to offer up to 63 per cent in Ertl. "It is just the range of percentage that is offered in such deals in America," he said.

The indicated $16 offer price imputes a price-earnings ratio in the 20s.

Hanson shares were ¾p easier at 264¾p.

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Argos lifts profits in face of tax blow to sales

BY SUSAN GILCHRIST

ARGOS, the catalogue retailer, delivered a solid rise in interim profits but admitted sales growth in recent months had been badly hit by April's tax increases.

Pre-tax profits increased by 16 per cent to £15.3 million in the six months to June 18, up from £13.2 million last time. Sales were 13 per cent ahead at £413 million, compared with £366 million in the previous period. Like-for-like sales from existing stores increased by 6.7 per cent.

However, Mike Smith, chief executive, said the sales trend had been inconsistent. While like-for-like sales growth rose by 9.0 per cent between January and April, it slowed sharply in the last two months of the first half, rising by just 1.3 per cent.

Mr Smith blamed April's tax increases for the slowdown in sales growth, which knocked consumer confidence. He claimed Argos was not alone in being hit by the tax rises and said the chain had still managed to outperform the market. "The market-share gains we achieved in May and June were similar to those achieved between January and April."

DIY was the only product category in which the chain lost market share. David Donne, the chairman, said consumers had re-directed their spending away from durables towards clothing, food, cars and holidays.

Mr Smith said the tax rises had also led to some down-trading among consumers. The average ticket price of products sold at the chain fell by 1.6 per cent in the first half, and by 2.7 per cent in the weak May-June period.

He said pricing remained a key element of Argos's strategy and that the group intended to remain price-competitive through managing margins and reducing costs. Eighty-one per cent of the 5,000 re-included lines in the new autumn/winter catalogue are at the same price or cheaper than last year.

The group is on course for a record year for store openings, with 32 new outlets, including ten superstores, planned, bringing the total chain to 348. Mr Smith said it would continue to open between 20 and 25 outlets a year until it reached its target of up to 600 stores.

Trading has picked up since the end of the first half, with sales in the past two weeks running "materially ahead" of last year. The interim dividend rises to 2.65p from 2.35p, an increase of 13 per cent.

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Reed chief's payoff tops £2m

BY JON ASHWORTH

PETER Davis, former head of the Reed Elsevier Anglo-Dutch publishing group, has been granted a salary and pension package worth £2.02 million, it was confirmed yesterday. Mr Davis, who resigned in June after a boardroom dispute, has been paid £652,000 in cash as compensation for loss of office, and received other temporary benefits worth up to £70,000.

Reed has agreed to make a "topping up" payment of £1.3 million to Mr Davis's pension. He is said to hold options on Reed shares worth an estimated £500,000. If so, this would push the overall value of his package to £2.5 million.



Davis: rolling contract

Mr Davis was on a three-year rolling contract. When he left, his salary was £500,000 a year, doubling to £1 million if incentive arrangements and pension and fringe benefits were included. He also has a potential entitlement under a long-term incentive scheme that would pay out if earnings per share were significantly higher over three years. Mr Davis's cash payment includes a proportion of bonus earned to date.

Mr Davis joined Reed International in 1986 and took it through a restructuring before the merger with Elsevier in January last year. He resigned after the rest of the board insisted on changes that would have passed operational responsibility from him to a committee.

Reed said the package fairly reflected Mr Davis's contribution to the increase in shareholder value and his role in the merger.

Bid for Esab extended by Charter

CHARTER, the British industrial group, disappointed Swedish shareholders hoping for a higher bid by simply extending its £260 million offer for Esab, the world's biggest welding equipment maker, until August 26 on unchanged terms. Institutional shareholders rejected the bid last week. When the first deadline was reached on Friday, Esab shares were 17 kronor above the 345 kronor offer price, while Charter had received acceptances representing 46.6 per cent of the issued capital and 53.1 per cent of the votes in Esab.

ADT slows to $57m in first half

BY GEORGE SIVELL, ASSISTANT BUSINESS EDITOR

ADT, the British and American electronic security and car-auction group run by Michael Ashcroft, yesterday reported a fall in first-half net income to $57.1 million, compared with $58.4 million last time. Sales rose from $635 million to $677 million, while income increased slightly from $60.1 million to $60.4 million after adding back losses from discontinued operations.

The company, registered in Bermuda but run from Boca Raton on Florida's east coast, underwent a financial restructuring last year. A fall in first-half earnings per share from 45 cents to 38 cents was blamed on an increase in the number of shares created by the refinancing, as well as a higher deferred tax charge and increased financing costs. In London, the shares fell in response by 5p to 665p.

Yesterday, ADT said the planned sale of Insight, the security business, and the recent Australasian disposal meant that all the non-core divisions had been dealt with.

Net debt has fallen to 78 per cent of shareholders' funds from 153 per cent a year ago thanks to disposals and the refinancing.

ADT said its security business in Britain was experiencing an increase in the number of quotes sought by customers. Demand for CCTV security systems and card access systems continued to be strong.

The group said the number of vehicles sold in Europe was 2.4 per cent up in the second quarter of 1994 on the comparative quarter of last year, and that business from new and used vehicle dealers continued to be strong.

HSBC Holdings plc

1994 interim results

Half year to	30 June 1994	30 June 1993
Profit before tax	£1,461m	£1,179m
Profit attributable to shareholders	£938m	£831m
Earnings per share	36.99p	33.12p
Dividends per share	8.00p	7.00p
Capital resources	£17,081m	£15,312m

First half 1994 over first half 1993:

- Pre-tax profit up 24% and attributable profit up 13%
- Pre-tax profit up 27% and attributable profit up 15% in Hong Kong dollars
- Earnings per share up 12%
- Dividend per share up 14%
- Risk asset ratio 13.8% and tier 1 capital ratio 8.6%

"*Favourable economic conditions in most of our markets, combined with success in controlling costs and reduced provisions for doubtful debts, enabled the HSBC Group to achieve a 13 per cent increase in attributable profits for the first half of 1994.*

We continued to make progress in integrating Midland into our Group and we are comfortably on track in achieving forecast synergy benefits.

When announcing our 1993 results in February, we said that trading conditions in the capital markets in 1994 would be more difficult, and that has proven to be the case. Our dealing profits were well below those of the comparable period last year.

Our overall performance in the first half of 1994 was nevertheless satisfactory, enabling us to increase our interim dividend by 14 per cent to 8 pence per ordinary share.

Our Group should benefit from continued growth in the economies of South East Asia, particularly in Hong Kong, coupled with improved economic conditions in North America and the United Kingdom, but we will need to meet the challenges of a more competitive marketplace."

Sir William Purves, *Group Chairman*

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Investors buy brewers on duty cut hopes

INVESTORS worked up a thirst for shares of the big drink companies in the hope that the Government is set to cut the duty on a pint to counter the growing problem of cheap imports from the Continent.

The brewers have been complaining to the Chancellor that sales have been hit by "booze cruises" to French ports, allowing consumers to fill their car boots with low-priced beer. They now sense the Chancellor might get to grips with the problem soon, rather than wait for November's Budget as the Treasury calculates the damage to its revenues.

There were gains yesterday for **Bass**, 6p to 574p, **Greenalls**, 4p to 439p, **Scottish & Newcastle**, 5p to 532p, **Grand Metropolitan**, 3p to 437p, and **Whitbread**, 8p to 560p. **Guinness** also celebrated the news that Ireland's participation in the World Cup had boosted sales fivefold. A total of 6.1 million shares changed hands.

The rest of the equity market squandered an early 14-point lead to finish virtually unchanged on the day. The FT-SE 100 index closed 0.1 points down at 3,142.2.

Investors refused to chase prices higher, worried that today's Federal Reserve Open Market Committee meeting will signal higher US interest rates. The rail strike and seasonal influences affected business, with turnover reaching a modest 463 million shares.

There were signs of profit taking among electricity distributors after their recent heady rise. **East Midland** dropped 12p to 698p, after 720p, **Manweb**, 16p to 769p, after 792p, and **Norweb** 15p to 735p, having touched 760p.

STOCK MARKET

The threat of strike action by its Midland Bank workforce left shares of **HSBC**, the parent company, 14p lower at 745p. It also overshadowed half-year figures at the top end of City expectations, showing pre-tax profits 24 per cent ahead at £1.4 billion. The figures were bolstered by a drop in provisions for bad debts from £432 million to £173 million, with the Midland increasing pre-tax profits from £385 million to £443 million.

Argos failed to benefit from half-year figures in line with market expectations as the price slipped 7p to 67p.

Pillar Property Investments established a useful premium in first-time trading, opening at 162p compared with the original 150p offer price. The price touched 164p before ending the session at 157p as more than 8 million shares changed hands.

Investors gave **Chamberlain & Phipps** a lukewarm reception on its return to the market, with the shares opening unchanged at 165p. The price later improved to finish with a 5p premium at 170p.

Copyright Promotions, floated off from Mosaic Investments, could muster only a modest premium in first-time dealings, with the price closing at 123p, compared with the 120p they were first issued at. **Mosaic** finished 1p firmer at 30p.

Reckitt & Colman, the Jeyes to Colman's mustard group, were marked down to 823p in early trading on reports that the group is hitting the acquisition trail. Word is that it wants to buy the household products division of Eastman Kodak. Dealers fear Reckitt may have to arrange a rights issue to help finance the deal. The price later rallied to finish 4p better at 635p.

□ **GILT-EDGED** saw turnover slump to its lowest levels since Christmas as anxious investors awaited the outcome of the US meeting on monetary policy. Dealers said sentiment was also affected by the close of the French bond market and the latest rail strike. The September series of the long gilt closed unchanged at £100²¹/₃₂ as the number of contracts completed slumped to 15,000.

At the longer end of the cash market, Treasury 9 per cent 2012 firmed three ticks to £103⁷/₁₆, while in shorts, Treasury 9½ per cent 1999 were steady at £103¹¹/₃₂.

□ **NEW YORK:** US blue chips spent the first half of the session trading in a tight range. At midday, the Dow Jones industrial average was up 5.18 points at 3,773.89. Treasuries were mixed.

MICHAEL CLARK



ANTHONY HARRIS

'Low' investment earns profits — but for how long?

Land Rover recently announced its first-ever night shift. Production will rise by 20 per cent; but the wage bill will surely rise faster; night working commands premium rates. So unit labour costs will rise: alarm bells from statistics buffs, sermons from Labour shadows pointing out the cost of short-termism.

But while unit labour costs will rise a little, unit capital costs will fall sharply (though not by the full 20 per cent). Labour is only part of the cost picture: relax again.

What is missing from our productivity and cost statistics is the productivity of capital, and its costs. This goes a long way to explain the fact that not only gross profits but percentage margins reliably rise during an expansion, despite the acceleration of wages and input costs, and even when inflation is low.

This pattern is familiar to equity analysts, but not, it seems, to economic commentators, who have a morbid fear of anything they cannot measure accurately. Here is an important number which can only be guessed: most annoying.

Thus, even the usually acute economic analysts at NatWest, who made an optimistic profit projection last week, hedged it by saying that "margin growth will ... only be achieved via tight control of unit wage costs". Not so. If it were, profit margins (again margins, not profits) would not have risen by some 6 per cent in 1985-87, when wages were still rising unaccountably much faster than prices, even before the Lawson boom. It was simple GDP growth, which rose from under 2 per cent to over 5 per cent in the same two years, which did the trick.

This ought, on the face of it, to mean that the NatWest forecast for margins, which it sees expanding at about 0.5 per cent annually from now to the end of 1995, are too modest: but this begs the big question which alert readers should already have spotted: the higher returns on capital can be secured only in companies like Land Rover, which can still get a large increase in output from their existing plant. In other words, the profit question for investors in manufacturing is a disguised version of the question which baffles macro-economists: what is the productive potential of British industry as it is at present equipped?

Or to put it yet another way, are industry's critics in Threadneedle Street and Centre Point right when they denounce boards for underinvestment? Or are they guilty of nothing more than good housekeeping? For the time being, it is clear that tight control of capital costs as well as wage costs is paying off, and handsomely. NatWest estimates that margins rose by 2.5 per cent last year, reaching nearly 4 per cent above their long-term average. The great surge of 1985-87, by contrast, was simply a recovery from the very depressed margins of the early Thatcher years, when petro-sterling went through the roof and industry despaired.

The surge in investment in 1986, which is widely cited as an example of how industry ought to respond to better times, was something of a celebration. But profit margins fell in 1988 (before the Major squeeze started to depress output), and went on shrinking for three years afterwards. This suggests that the celebration was overdone.

Management sobered up to such effect that margins were pushed up again by 1 per cent in the first year of the recession. In that early counter-cyclical phase, tight control of labour costs and purchasing were indeed the secret; that is no longer so.

To be sure, this train must by definition hit the buffers when existing plant really is working flat out. The Bank clearly believes that the buffers are just around the next corner; but management may deserve the benefit of a bit more doubt. They know their own plant, and just as important, their own learning curves, better than any statistician can; and as constraints do appear, many may be susceptible to quite modest investments in better-balanced plant. Meanwhile, NatWest's forecast of 16 per cent profit growth this year and 7 per cent next are comforting not only for investors but for inflation worriers. That is quite a cushion.

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

THE POUND
US $ .... 1.5418 (-0.0044)
German mark .... 2.3947 (-0.0115)
Exchange index .... 78.8 (-0.3)
Bank of England official close (4pm)

STOCK MARKET
FT-SE 100 .... 3142.2 (-0.1)
Dow Jones .... 3773.89 (+5.18)*
Nikkei Avg .... 20626.33 (-37.50)

INTEREST RATES
London Bank Base 5¼%
3-month interbank 5¹¹/₁₆-5⁹/₁₆%
US Federal Funds 4½%*
3-month Treas Bills 4.43-4.41%*
Long Bond 7.50%*

CURRENCIES

New York:	London:
£:$ ...1.5425*	£:$ 1.5425
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$:Yen .100.05*	£:Yen 154.47
£:SDR 1.0619	£:ECU 1.2555

London Forex market close

GOLD
London Fixing ($):
AM 376.45 .... PM 376.60
Close 377.20-377.70
New York:
Comex 378.75-379.25*

OIL
Brent Crude .... $17.10 per bbl (Oct)

RETAIL PRICES
RPI 144.7 Jun (2.6%) Jan 1987=100
* Denotes midday trading price

TOURIST RATES

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.22	2.02
Austria Sch	17.88	16.38
Belgium Fr	52.70	48.30
Canada $	2.243	2.083
Cyprus Cyp£	0.769	0.719
Denmark Kr	10.12	9.32
Finland Mkk	8.57	7.87
France Fr	8.69	7.99
Germany Dm	2.55	2.34
Greece Dr	379.00	354.00
Hong Kong $	12.85	11.65
Ireland Pt	1.08	0.98
Italy Lira	2545.00	2390.00
Japan Yen	170.00	153.00
Malta	0.612	0.557
Netherlds Gld	2.846	2.616
Norway Kr	11.15	10.35
Portugal Esc	257.50	239.00
S Africa Rd	REF.	5.48
Spain Pta	208.00	194.00
Sweden Kr	12.86	11.86
Switzerland Fr	2.16	1.98
Turkey Lira	REFER	46614.0
USA $	1.644	1.514

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques. Rates as at close of trading yesterday.

Occupancy boost lifts Takare 35%

By Susan Gilchrist

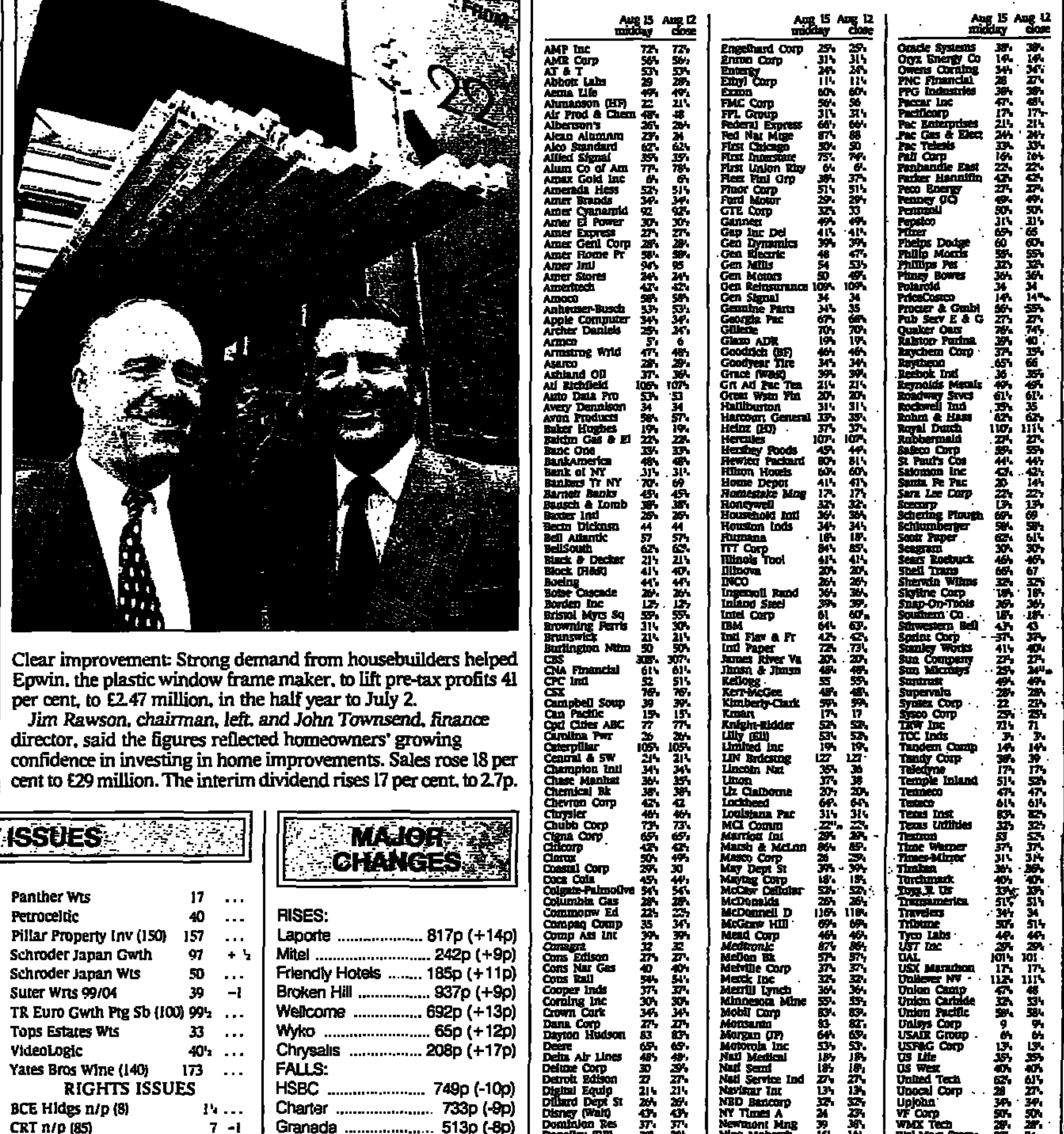
HIGH occupancy levels helped lift pre-tax profits at Takare, the nursing home group, 35 per cent to a record £9.39 million from £6.94 million for the six months to June 30. Excluding an exceptional profit of £370,000 in the previous period, profits rose 43 per cent. The interim dividend is lifted to 0.8p from 0.7p, a rise of 14 per cent.

Keith Bradshaw, chairman, said occupancy was 97.5 per cent, the highest since implementation of the Community Care reforms. Mr Bradshaw said the result was an "emphatic" answer to concerns that the reforms would hit demand for nursing home beds.

The group has started construction on 900 of the 1,800 new beds planned this year, taking the total to 7,410. Mr Bradshaw believes this will rise to 8,310 by the end of the year. Takare, which launched a £68 million rights issue last year to fund new development, continues to expand in South-East England.

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ALAN WELLER



Clear improvement: Strong demand from housebuilders helped Epwin, the plastic window frame maker, to lift pre-tax profits 41 per cent, to £2.47 million, in the half year to July 2.
Jim Rawson, chairman, left, and John Townsend, finance director, said the figures reflected homeowners' growing confidence in investing in home improvements. Sales rose 18 per cent to £29 million. The interim dividend rises 17 per cent, to 2.7p.

WALL STREET

	Aug 15 midday	Aug 12 close		Aug 15 midday	Aug 12 close		Aug 15 midday	Aug 12 close
AMP Inc	72	72	Engelhard Corp	25	25	Oracle Systems	38	38
AMR Corp	56	56	Enron Corp	31	31	Oryx Energy Co	14	14
AT & T	53	53	Entergy	24	24	Owens Corning	34	34
Abbott Labs	29	28	Ethyl Corp	11	11	PNC Financial	28	27
Aetna Life	49	49	Exxon	60	60	PPG Industries	38	38
Ahmanson (HF)	22	21	FMC Corp	56	56	Paccar Inc	47	48
Air Prod & Chem	48	48	FPL Group	31	31	Pacificorp	17	17
Alberton's	26	26	Federal Express	66	66	Pac Enterprises	21	21
Alcan Alumnm	23	24	Fed Nat Mtge	87	88	Pac Gas & Elect	24	24
Alco Standard	62	62	First Chicago	50	50	Pac Telesis	33	33
Allied Signal	35	35	First Interstate	75	74	Pall Corp	16	16
Alum Co of Am	77	78	First Union Rlty	6	6	Panhandle East	22	22
Amax Gold Inc	6	6	Fleet Finl Grp	38	37	Parker Hannifin	42	42
Amerada Hess	52	51	Fluor Corp	51	51	Peco Energy	27	27
Amer Brands	34	34	Ford Motor	29	29	Penney (JC)	49	49
Amer Cyanamid	92	92	GTE Corp	32	33	Pennzoil	50	50
Amer El Power	30	30	Gannett	49	49	Pepsico	31	31
Amer Express	27	27	Gap Inc Del	41	41	Pfizer	65	65
Amer Genl Corp	28	28	Gen Dynamics	39	39	Phelps Dodge	60	60
Amer Home Pr	58	58	Gen Electric	48	47	Philip Morris	55	55
Amer Intl	94	95	Gen Mills	54	53	Phillips Pet	32	32
Amer Stores	24	24	Gen Motors	50	49	Pitney Bowes	36	36
Ameritech	42	42	Gen Reinsurance	109	109	Polaroid	34	34
Amoco	58	58	Gen Signal	34	34	PriceCostco	14	14
Anheuser-Busch	53	53	Genuine Parts	34	35	Procter & Gmbl	56	55
Apple Computer	34	34	Georgia Pac	67	68	Pub Serv E & G	27	27
Archer Daniels	25	24	Gillette	70	70	Quaker Oats	76	74
Armco	5	6	Glaxo ADR	19	19	Ralston Purina	39	40
Armstrong Wrld	47	48	Goodrich (BF)	46	46	Raychem Corp	37	35
Asarco	28	29	Goodyear Tire	34	34	Raytheon	65	66
Ashland Oil	37	36	Grace (WR)	39	39	Reebok Intl	36	35
Atl Richfield	106	107	Grt Atl Pac Tea	21	21	Reynolds Metals	49	49
Auto Data Pro	53	53	Great Wstn Fin	20	20	Roadway Srvcs	61	61
Avery Dennison	34	34	Halliburton	31	31	Rockwell Intl	35	35
Avon Products	58	57	Harcourt General	35	35	Rohm & Haas	62	62
Baker Hughes	19	19	Heinz (HJ)	37	37	Royal Dutch	110	111
Baltm Gas & El	22	22	Hercules	107	107	Rubbermaid	27	27
Banc One	33	33	Hershey Foods	45	44	Safeco Corp	55	55
BankAmerica	48	48	Hewlett Packard	80	81	St Paul's Cos	44	44
Bank of NY	31	31	Hilton Hotels	60	60	Salomon Inc	42	42
Bankers Tr NY	70	69	Home Depot	41	41	Santa Fe Pac	20	14
Barnett Banks	45	45	Homestake Mng	17	17	Sara Lee Corp	22	22
Bausch & Lomb	38	38	Honeywell	32	32	Scecorp	13	13
Baxter Intl	26	26	Household Intl	36	35	Schering Plough	69	69
Bectn Dicknsn	44	44	Houston Inds	34	34	Schlumberger	58	58
Bell Atlantic	57	57	Humana	18	18	Scott Paper	62	61
BellSouth	62	62	ITT Corp	84	85	Seagram	30	30
Black & Decker	21	21	Illinois Tool	41	41	Sears Roebuck	46	46
Block (H&R)	41	40	Illinova	20	20	Shell Trans	66	67
Boeing	44	44	INCO	26	25	Sherwin Wlms	32	32
Boise Cascade	26	26	Ingersoll Rand	36	36	Skyline Corp	18	18
Borden Inc	12	12	Inland Steel	39	39	Snap-On-Tools	36	36
Bristol Myrs Sq	55	55	Intel Corp	61	60	Southern Co	18	18
Browning Ferris	31	30	IBM	64	63	Stwestern Bell	43	43
Brunswick	21	21	Intl Flav & Fr	42	42	Sprint Corp	37	37
Burlington Ntrn	50	50	Intl Paper	72	73	Stanley Works	41	40
CBS	308	307	James River Va	20	20	Sun Company	27	27
CNA Financial	61	61	Jhnsn & Jhnsn	48	48	Sun Microsys	25	24
CPC Intl	52	51	Kellogg	55	55	Suntrust	49	49
CSX	76	76	Kerr-McGee	48	48	Supervalu	28	28
Campbell Soup	39	39	Kimberly-Clark	59	59	Syntex Corp	22	21
Can Pacific	15	15	Kmart	17	17	Sysco Corp	25	25
Cpd Cities ABC	77	77	Knight-Ridder	52	52	TRW Inc	71	71
Carolina Pwr	26	26	Lilly (Eli)	53	53	TCC Inds	3	3
Caterpillar	105	105	Limited Inc	19	19	Tandem Comp	14	14
Central & SW	21	21	LIN Brdcstng	127	127	Tandy Corp	38	39
Champion Intl	34	34	Lincoln Nat	35	36	Teledyne	17	17
Chase Manhat	36	35	Litton	37	38	Temple Inland	51	52
Chemical Bk	38	38	Liz Claiborne	20	20	Tenneco	47	47
Chevron Corp	42	42	Lockheed	64	64	Texaco	61	61
Chrysler	46	46	Louisiana Pac	31	31	Texas Inst	83	82
Chubb Corp	73	73	MCI Comm	22	22	Texas Utilities	32	32
Cigna Corp	65	65	Marriott Int	28	28	Textron	53	52
Citicorp	42	42	Marsh & McLen	86	85	Time Warner	37	37
Clorox	50	49	Masco Corp	26	25	Times-Mirror	31	31
Coastal Corp	29	30	May Dept St	39	39	Timken	36	36
Coca Cola	45	44	Maytag Corp	18	18	Torchmark	40	40
Colgate-Palmolive	54	54	McCaw Cellular	52	52	Toys R Us	33	33
Columbia Gas	28	28	McDonalds	28	28	Transamerica	51	51
Commonw Ed	22	22	McDonnell D	116	118	Travelers	34	34
Compaq Comp	35	34	McGraw Hill	69	69	Tribune	50	51
Comp Ass Int	39	39	Mead Corp	46	46	Tyco Labs	44	44
Conagra	32	32	Medtronic	87	86	UST Inc	29	29
Cons Edison	27	27	Mellon Bk	57	57	UAL	101	101
Cons Nat Gas	40	40	Melville Corp	37	37	USX Marathon	17	17
Cons Rail	54	54	Merck Inc	32	32	Unilever NV	112	111
Cooper Inds	37	37	Merrill Lynch	36	36	Union Camp	47	48
Corning Inc	30	30	Minnesota Mine	55	55	Union Carbide	32	33
Crown Cork	34	34	Mobil Corp	83	83	Union Pacific	58	58
Dana Corp	27	27	Monsanto	83	82	Unisys Corp	9	9
Dayton Hudson	83	83	Morgan (JP)	64	63	USAIR Group	6	6
Deere	65	65	Motorola Inc	53	53	USF&G Corp	13	13
Delta Air Lines	48	49	Natl Medical	18	18	US Life	35	35
Deluxe Corp	30	29	Natl Semi	18	18	US West	40	40
Detroit Edison	27	27	Natl Service Ind	27	27	United Tech	62	61
Digital Equip	21	21	Navistar Int	13	13	Unocal Corp	28	27
Dillard Dept St	26	26	NBD Bancorp	32	32	Upjohn	34	34
Disney (Walt)	43	43	NY Times A	24	23	VF Corp	50	50
Dominion Res	37	37	Newmont Mng	39	38	WMX Tech	28	28
Donnelley (RR)	28	28	Niag Mohawk	16	16	Wal-Mart Stores	23	24
Dover Corp	58	58	Nike B	64	64	Warner-Lambert	78	77
Dow Chemical	70	70	NL Industries	10	10	Wells Fargo	158	158
Dow Jones	30	30	Noram Energy	6	6	Westinghouse El	12	12
Dresser	20	21	Nordstrom	45	44	Weyerhaeuser	42	42
Duke Power	38	38	Norfolk Sthrn	61	61	Whirlpool	50	50
Dun & Bradstreet	56	57	Nthn State Pwr	42	42	Whitman	17	17
Du Pont	59	58	Norwest Corp	26	26	Winn Dixie	50	50
Eastman Kodak	49	49	Nynex Corp	39	39	Woolworth	15	15
Eaton Corp	48	48	Occidental Pet	21	21	Wrigley (Wm) Jr	42	42
Emerson Elec	61	61	Ohio Edison	19	19	Xerox	106	107

RECENT ISSUES

3I (272)	313¼	+¼	Panther Wts	17	...
Abtrust New Dawn C Wts	66	...	Petroceltic	40	...
Aromascan	99	+1	Pillar Property Inv (150)	157	...
Bail Giff Shn Npn Wts	85	-1	Schroder Japan Gwth	97	+½
Beacon Inv Tst (100)	102	...	Schroder Japan Wts	50	...
Carnell (18)	28	...	Suter Wrts 99/04	39	-1
Chamberlain Phipps (165)	170	...	TR Euro Gwth Ptg Sb (100)	99½	...
Copyright Prmtns (120)	122	...	Tops Estates Wts	33	...
Emrg Mkts Country	53	...	VideoLogic	40½	...
Freeport Leisure	70	...	Yates Bros Wine (140)	173	...
INVESCO Japan Discovery	92	...	**RIGHTS ISSUES**		
Ideal Hardware	280	...	BCE Hldgs n/p (8)	1¼	...
JF Fledge Japan Wts	69	...	CRT n/p (85)	7	-1
John Mansfield (3)	3½	...	Freeport Leisure n/p	5	...
Magnum Power	40	+1	Hartstone n/p (15)	2	...
Old Mutual SA (100)	96	...	P & P n/p (60)	7	...
Old Mutual SA Wts	43	...	Prestwick n/p (24)	2	-½
Orbis (23)	29	...	Surrey Group n/p (1¼)	¼	...
Panther Securities (90)	90	...	Waddington (J) n/p (190)	18	...

MAJOR CHANGES

RISES:
Laporte .... 817p (+14p)
Mitel .... 242p (+9p)
Friendly Hotels .... 185p (+11p)
Broken Hill .... 937p (+9p)
Wellcome .... 692p (+13p)
Wyko .... 65p (+12p)
Chrysalis .... 208p (+17p)

FALLS:
HSBC .... 749p (-10p)
Charter .... 733p (-9p)
Granada .... 513p (-8p)
Laird .... 415p (-13p)
Siebe .... 590p (-13p)
Cowie .... 252p (-8p)
Cardiff Property .... 308p (-10p)

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FT-SE VOLUMES

ASDA Gp	8,700	Caradon	2,000	Legal & Gn	1,200	Scot Power	2,900
Abbey Natl	1,000	Carlton Cms	492	Lloyds Bk	1,300	Sears	3,800
Alld-Lyons	776	Coats Vyla	1,100	MEPC	177	Svrn Trent	858
Argyll Gp	3,600	Cm Union	1,100	Marks Spr	3,000	Shell Trans	1,600
Arjo Wiggn	792	Courtaulds	608	NFC	2,000	Siebe	865
AB Foods	55	De La Rue	162	NatWst Bk	3,400	SmKl Bch	1,600
BAA	1,000	Eastern Elec	4,000	Nat Power	1,700	Smith Nph	1,200
BAT Inds	2,400	Enterpr Oil	1,600	Nth Wst W	663	Sthern Elec	1,100
BOC	1,300	Forte	3,900	P & O	428	Std Chartd	2,200
BP	2,000	GKN	1,300	Pearson	1,100	Sun Allnce	1,000
BTR	2,200	GRE	1,400	PowerGen	560	TI Gp	694
BT	3,500	GUS	962	Prudential	994	TSB	1,400
Bk of Scot	729	Gen Acc	428	RMC	213	Tesco	1,300
Barclays	3,300	Gen Elec	5,700	RTZ	574	Thames W	734
Bass	1,200	Glaxo	4,600	Rank Org	890	Thrn EMI	906
Blue Circle	1,600	Granada	10,000	Reckitt Col	608	Tomkins	1,800
Boots	1,900	Grand Met	2,700	Redland	678	Unilever	2,200
Bowater	567	Guinness	6,100	Reed Intl	886	Utd Bisc	547
Brit Aero	658	HSBC	6,900	Rentokil	519	Vodafone	2,400
Brit Airwys	4,000	Hanson	2,600	Reuters	419	Warburg	1,600
Brit Gas	5,300	ICI	774	Rolls Royce	3,100	Wellcome	2,400
Brit Steel	1,200	Inchcape	1,300	Ryl Ins	2,200	Whitbread	2,400
Burmah Cstl	355	Kingfisher	977	Ryl Bk Scot	1,100	Wllms Hld	771
Cable Wire	2,500	Ladbroke	1,800	Sainsbury	927	Wolseley	563
Cadbury	2,000	Land Secs	795	Scot & New	828	Zeneca	1,100

MAJOR INDICES

New York (midday):
Dow Jones .... 3773.89 (+5.18)
S&P Composite .... 462.52 (+0.57)

Tokyo:
Nikkei Avge .... 20626.33 (-37.50)

Hong Kong:
Hang Seng .... 9492.98 (+28.42)

Amsterdam:
EOE Index .... 415.18 (+0.75)

Sydney: AO .... 2055.7 (-3.9)

Frankfurt:
DAX .... 2138.84 (-14.16)

FT 30 share: .... 2474.8 (+5.6)

Brussels:
General .... Closed

Paris: CAC-40 .... Closed

Zurich: SKA Gen .... 664.90 (-0.70)

London:
FT A All-Share .... 1576.94 (-0.84)
FT Non Financials .... 1712.72 (+0.23)
FT Gold Mines .... 233.1 (-2.8)
FT Fixed Interest .... 109.13 (-0.75)
FT Govt Secs .... 91.11 (-0.06)
Bargains 28885
SEAQ Volume 463.1m
USM (Datastrm) .... 157.89 (same)

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

Dealings From	Dealings To	Final Declaration	For Settlement
August 8	August 19	November 10	November 24

Call options were taken out on 15/8/94: Bullers, Eclipse Blinds, Owners Abroad, Pillar Prop, Tullow Oil.
Put: Bullers.
Put & Call: Tullow Oil.

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100	Sep 94	3158.0	3174.0	3144.0	3152.0	5785
Previous open interest: 61281	Dec 94	3177.0	3177.0	3172.0	3165.5	11
Three Month Sterling	Sep 94	94.03	94.04	93.97	93.99	5558
Previous open interest: 544855	Dec 94	93.25	93.29	93.19	93.19	9509
	Mar 95	92.66	92.66	92.58	92.59	2349
Three Mth Eurodollar	Sep 94	94.83	94.85	94.83	94.84	108
Previous open interest: 7046	Dec 94	94.13	94.13	94.13	94.13	50
Three Mth Euro DM	Sep 94	95.01	95.02	94.99	95.00	10727
Previous open interest: 801925	Dec 94	94.83	94.84	94.80	94.82	12717
Long Gilt	Sep 94	100-28	100-31	100-11	100-21	16530
Previous open interest: 119450	Dec 94	100-09	100-09	100-05	100-06	123
Japanese Govmt Bond	Sep 94	107.94	107.98	107.93	108.00	123
	Dec 94	106.88	106.99	106.88	106.97	906
German Gov Bd Bund	Sep 94	91.69	91.82	91.38	91.51	45440
Previous open interest: 167636	Dec 94	90.70	90.73	90.58	90.64	733
German Gov Bd Bobl	Sep 94				96.84	0
Previous open interest: 76	Dec 94					0
Three month ECU	Sep 94	93.70	93.72	93.70	93.71	291
Previous open interest: 25637	Dec 94	93.42	93.42	93.41	93.41	286
Euro Swiss Franc	Sep 94	95.47	95.53	95.47	95.53	947
Previous open interest: 56008	Dec 94	95.29	95.34	95.29	95.33	761
Italian Govmt Bond	Sep 94	98.20	98.38	97.29	98.27	9271
Previous open interest: 92438	Dec 94	96.15	96.33	96.15	97.10	105

Exchange index compared with 1985 was down at 78.8 (day's range 78.8-79.0).

Mkt Rates for Aug 15	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	2.6840-2.6990	2.6840-2.6873	¹/₈pr-par	½-³/₈pr
Brussels	49.28-49.55	49.28-49.38	3-9ds	14-22ds
Brussels	par-5ds	2-12ds	9.4880-9.5250	9.4880-9.5020
Copenhagen	⁷/₈-1⁷/₈ds	1³/₄-4ds	1.0110-1.0150	1.0115-1.0142
Frankfurt	2.3908-2.4033	2.3908-2.3940	¹/₈pr-par	½-¼pr
Lisbon	245.33-246.71	245.33-245.96	159-187ds	402-467ds
Madrid	199.99-200.80	199.99-200.29	49-58ds	115-135ds
Milan	2449.70-2459.30	2452.20-2456.20	9-11ds	24-27ds
Montreal	2.1271-2.1387	2.1271-2.1302	0.02-0.08ds	0.01-0.11ds
New York	1.5420-1.5472	1.5420-1.5430	0.07-0.06pr	0.30-0.27pr
Oslo	10.5230-10.5760	10.5230-10.5390	par-⁷/₈ds	³/₈-1⁷/₈ds
Paris	8.2040-8.2450	8.2040-8.2180	¼-1¼ds	par-1¼ds
Stockholm	11.9440-12.0230	11.9440-11.9680	3¹/₈-3¹/₂ds	9⅞-10¼ds
Tokyo	154.33-155.11	154.33-154.60	½-³/₈pr	1³/₈-1¼pr
Vienna	16.83-16.92	16.83-16.87	1-8ds	4½-2½pr
Zurich	2.0069-2.0184	2.0069-2.0098	¼-¹/₈pr	⅞-³/₄pr

Source: Extel · *Premium - pr. Discount - ds.*

Argentina peso*	1.5408-1.5434
Australia dollar	2.0820-2.0841
Bahrain dinar	0.5770-0.5890
Brazil real*	1.3925-1.3966
Cyprus pound	0.7275-0.7375
Finland markka	7.9095-8.0255
Greece drachma	360.00-367.00
Hong Kong dollar	11.9325-11.9371
India rupee	48.05-49.01
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4540-0.4640
Malaysia ringgit	3.9551-3.9579
Mexico peso	5.20-5.30
New Zealand dollar	2.5527-2.5556
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.7395-5.8655
Singapore dollar	2.3259-2.3282
S Africa rand (fin)	6.9662-7.0171
S Africa rand (com)	5.5222-5.5304
U A E dirham	5.6180-5.7420

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Australia	1.3484-1.3493
Austria	10.91-10.92
Belgium (Com)	32.01-32.03
Canada	1.3799-1.3809
Denmark	6.1570-6.1625
France	5.3280-5.3320
Germany	1.5524-1.5534
Hong Kong	7.7278-7.7283
Ireland	1.5195-1.5210
Italy	1587.50-1588.25
Japan	100.35-100.40
Malaysia	2.5614-2.5624
Netherlands	1.7435-1.7440
Norway	6.8300-6.8320
Portugal	159.40-159.60
Singapore	1.5064-1.5069
Spain	129.85-130.00
Sweden	7.7395-7.7470
Switzerland	1.3038-1.3045

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 5¼ Finance Hse 5½
Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 4½ Low 4¼ Week fixed: 4¼
Treasury Bills (Dis): Buy: 2 mth 5¼; 3 mth 5½. Sell: 2 mth 5³/₁₆; 3 mth: 5⅜.

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis):	5-4¹⁵/₁₆	5¹¹/₃₂-5¼	5½-5½	5¹³/₁₆-5¹³/₁₆	
Sterling Money Rates:					
Interbank:	5⅛-5¹/₁₆	5⅜-5⁵/₁₆	5¹¹/₁₆-5⁹/₁₆	6⅛-6	6⅞-6¹¹/₁₆
	5⅛-5¹/₁₆	5⅜-5⁵/₁₆	5¹¹/₁₆-5⁹/₁₆	6⅛-6	6⅞-6¹³/₁₆
Overnight: open 4⅞, close 4¼					
Local Authority Deps:	5³/₁₆	n/a	5⅝	6	6¹³/₁₆
Sterling CDs:	5⅛-5	5⁵/₁₆-5¼	5⅝-5½	6¹/₁₆-5¹⁵/₁₆	6¹³/₁₆-6¹¹/₁₆
Dollar CDs:	4.62	n/a	4.84	5.28	5.76
Building Society CDs:	5³/₃₂-5	5⅜-5⁵/₁₆	5¹¹/₁₆-5⁹/₁₆	6⅛-6	6⅞-6¾

ECGD: Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: July 29, 1994 Agreed rates Aug 24, 1994 to Sept 25, 1994 Scheme III: 6.50 %. Reference rate July 1, 1994 to July 29, 1994 Scheme IV & V: 5.246 %.

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar:	4⅞-3⅞	4⅞-4¾	4¹³/₁₆-4¹¹/₁₆	5⁹/₁₆-5⁷/₁₆	4¼-3¼
Deutschemark:	4¹⁵/₁₆-4¹³/₁₆	5-4¹⁵/₁₆	5¹/₁₆-4¹⁵/₁₆	5⅛-5	5¼-4½
French Franc:	5⅝-5½	5¹¹/₁₆-5⁹/₁₆	5¹³/₁₆-5¹¹/₁₆	6¹/₁₆-5¹⁵/₁₆	6-5
Swiss Franc:	4¼-3⅞	4¼-4⅛	4⁵/₁₆-4³/₁₆	4⁹/₁₆-4⁷/₁₆	4½-3½
Yen:	2³/₁₆-1¹⁵/₁₆	2³/₁₆-2¹/₁₆	2⁵/₁₆-2³/₁₆	2⅜-2¼	2½-1½

Bullion: Open $376.50-377.00 Close: $377.20-377.70 High: $377.20-377.70 Low: $375.00-375.50 Krugerrand: $379.00-381.00 (£246.50-248.50)
Sovereigns: Old $88.25-90.25 (£56.75-58.75) New $88.25-90.25 (£56.75-58.75)
Platinum: $409.75 (£265.20) Silver: $5.08 (£3.285) Palladium: $152.00 (£98.40)

LIFFE OPTIONS

Series		Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Allid Lyon	580	28	—	—	21	—	—
(*589)	638	9	—	—	54	—	—
Argyll	260	23	30	35	9	15	19
(*272)	280	12	19	25	18	25	29
ASDA	60	6	9	11	2	5	6
(*63)	70	2	5	6	9	11	12
Boots	500	48	56	66	6	14	20
(*535)	550	17	28	38	28	37	43
Br Airways	390	40	49	58	7	15	20
(*418)	420	22	32	42	19	29	34
BP	390	34	42	49	8	14	18
(*411)	420	16	25	33	20	27	32
Br Steel	160	9	14	19	8	11	14
(*160)	180	3	6	11	22	24	26
C & W	420	33	44	54	13	21	27
(*436)	460	14	25	34	34	44	49
CU	500	56	66	73	6	11	19
(*544)	550	22	37	43	24	29	41
ICI	800	62	82	94	14	25	38
(*838)	850	32	53	65	35	48	62
Kingfishr	500	36	50	61	16	24	29
(*519)	550	13	27	38	45	51	56
Land Sec	650	28	36	49	17	27	30
(*653)	700	8	16	27	50	59	60
M & S	420	27	35	44	9	16	20
(*433)	460	8	16	25	32	38	42
Nat West	460	25	36	44	19	26	37
(*460)	500	9	19	27	46	50	62
Sainsbury	420	25	33	43	17	27	32
(*422)	460	9	17	26	44	50	55
Shell	700	39	49	58	16	23	33
(*723)	750	11	24	32	46	52	61
Smkl Bch	420	27	38	47	15	24	29
(*428)	460	10	20	28	30	47	53
Storehse	200	26	30	33	3	6	—
(*219)	220	12	17	22	10	14	18
Trafalgar	90	9	12	15	5	7	9
(*92)	100	5	7	11	11	14	15
Unilever	1100	45	69	76	29	41	55
(*1105)	1150	21	42	52	62	69	84
Zeneca	800	45	62	74	20	30	46
(*827)	850	19	37	49	49	57	73
Series		**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
Grnd Met	420	36	43	51	13	23	27
(*437)	460	16	24	33	34	44	49
Ladbroke	160	19	24	29	8	11	14
(*169)	180	9	13	19	20	22	25
Utd Bisc	330	23	29	34	16	20	28
(*338)	360	9	17	21	34	37	46

Series		Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
BAA	500	20	31	41	16	22	26
(*502)	525	11	19	29	31	35	39
Thames W	500	34	32	40	18	29	33
(*501)	550	6	13	20	52	62	66
Series		**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
BAT Ind	420	29	39	46	19	23	33
(*423)	460	12	22	27	45	48	57
BTR	360	26	34	38	12	16	23
(*375)	390	11	19	24	29	33	39
Br Aero	460	53	68	74	19	29	37
(*490)	500	29	48	55	38	51	58
Br Telcm	360	30	34	40	8	15	18
(*376)	390	14	19	25	23	32	34
Cadbury	460	26	37	43	19	23	30
(*468)	500	9	19	25	45	47	53
Guinness	420	49	55	61	6	11	16
(*456)	460	23	30	36	22	27	34
GEC	280	19	23	28	9	14	17
(*295)	300	9	14	19	21	25	27
Hanson	260	15	20	23	11	16	19
(*264)	280	6	11	15	24	27	31
LASMO	134	26	—	—	5	—	—
(*153)	154	12	—	—	10	—	—
Lucas	200	16	20	24	13	17	20
(*204)	220	7	12	16	26	29	33
Pilkingtn	180	22	24	28	5	9	11
(*193)	200	10	13	17	15	20	21
Prudential	300	21	28	32	13	17	24
(*309)	330	8	15	18	31	35	42
Redland	500	51	62	66	14	24	33
(*535)	550	34	35	41	36	49	60
Royal Ins	260	29	36	40	11	15	19
(*278)	280	18	25	30	21	24	29
Tesco	240	15	22	25	13	17	20
(*242)	260	7	13	17	25	28	32
Vodafone	183	14	18	—	9	13	—
(*185)	200	7	11	15	19	23	25
Williams	354	26	—	—	12	—	—
(*369)	384	11	—	—	28	—	—

FT-SE INDEX (*3142)

	3000	3050	3100	3150	3200	3250
Calls						
Aug	148	98	52	20	5	2
Sep	180	137	95	65	38	21
Oct	193	156	120	95	65	52
Nov	216	180	148	119	95	74
Dec	236	—	170	—	116	—
Puts						
Aug	1	3	10	25	65	—
Sep	20	29	45	65	93	120
Oct	39	53	68	90	117	147
Nov	53	66	85	105	131	161
Dec	67	—	98	—	148	—

Series		Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Abby Nat	390	17	23	37	13	19	28
(*391)	420	6	15	25	33	37	46
Amstrad	30	5	6	7	1	3	4
(*33)	35	2	4	5	4	6	7
Barclays	500	51	64	77	4	10	19
(*543)	550	16	34	47	19	30	41
Blue Circ	300	19	29	37	9	16	21
(*311)	330	5	15	23	28	34	38
Br Gas	280	14	18	24	7	15	18
(*284)	300	5	9	15	19	29	31
Dixons	180	24	29	34	4	7	11
(*196)	200	11	18	23	11	16	20
Forte	220	24	28	33	5	8	11
(*238)	240	11	16	20	10	17	20
Hillsdwn	180	9	14	19	8	12	14
(*180)	200	2	6	11	23	26	27
Lonrho	130	10	16	18	5	8	11
(*134)	140	5	11	14	11	13	17
Sears	120	7	10	13	4	7	8
(*123)	130	3	5	8	9	13	14
Thm Emi	1000	51	79	94	19	37	54
(*1024)	1050	25	53	68	45	63	78
Tomkins	220	19	25	30	4	8	12
(*234)	240	7	15	19	12	17	21
TSB	200	13	19	24	5	8	14
(*206)	220	4	11	14	17	20	25
Wellcome	650	58	82	97	11	25	36
(*691)	700	28	54	69	37	49	59
Series		**Oct**	**Jan**	**Apr**	**Oct**	**Jan**	**Apr**
Glaxo	600	46	60	69	26	38	51
(*629)	650	19	37	46	56	66	79
HSBC	700	74	95	111	26	38	62
(*749)	750	47	69	84	48	63	86
Reuter	475	30	—	—	17	—	—
(*483)	487	24	—	—	24	—	—
Series		**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
R-Royce	180	25	30	33	6	9	12
(*198)	200	13	18	22	14	18	22
Series		**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**
Fisons	140	11	15	17	4	8	11
(*146)	160	3	6	8	16	22	23
Series		**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
Eastrn Elc	750	56	72	87	31	42	50
(*760)	800	33	48	63	56	68	76
Series		**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**
Natl Pwr	460	30	41	52	9	21	24
(*477)	500	9	22	32	30	44	45
Scot Pwr	360	29	40	45	6	12	17
(*379)	390	12	24	29	20	20	32

August 15, 1994 Tot: 21711 Call: 11658 Put: 10053 FT-SE Call: 3656 Put: 3058
*Underlying security price.

GNI REPORT: The USDA forecast the Brazil coffee crop at 17 to 20 million bags in 1995/6, down from an initial projection of 26 million bags following the crop damage from the two Brazilian frosts. On balance these figures were supportive although the markets were more concerned about the noted lack of rain. London reacted today by gapping higher to end at USD3,490 (Sep), a gain of USD168.

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

COCOA

Sep	1045-1044	Dec	1133-1128
Dec	1065-1064	Mar	1142-1138
Mar	1091-1090	May	1152-1145
May	1098-1096	Jul	1172-1150
Jul	1107-1105		
Sep	1117-1115		Volume: 2692

ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)

Sep	3495-3490	May	3340-3332
Nov	3430-3429	Jul	3350-3330
Jan	3400-3395	Sep	3350-3330
Mar	3360-3356		Volume: 6673

NO.7 PREMIUM RAW SUGAR (6.00pm)

		May	unq
Spot: 306.10		Jul	—
Oct	11.95-12.10	Oct	—
Jan	unq	Jan	—
Mar	—		Volume: 0

WHITE SUGAR (FOB)

Reuters		May	313.0-11.7
Spot: 345.00		Aug	314.8-12.7
Oct	316.0-15.0	Oct	302.3-98.2
Dec	313.0-12.0	Dec	302.3-95.7
Mar	313.0-12.0		Volume: 851

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on August 12

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB:	74.98	93.40	121.59
(+/-)	+5.64	-0.35	+1.81
Eng/Wales:	74.98	93.63	121.83
(+/-)	+5.64	-0.12	+2.01
(%)	+16.0	-25.0	+15.0
Scotland:	n/a	91.74	119.41
(+/-)	..	-2.06	-0.02
(%)	..	-38.0	-4.0

LONDON MEAT FUTURES
Live Pig (/kg)

	Open	Close		Open	Close
Aug	—	—	Mar	—	—
Sep	—	—		Volume: —	

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

WHEAT (close £/t)
Sep 105.30
Nov 106.15
Jan 108.10
Mar 109.70
May 111.90
Volume: 72

BARLEY (close £/t)
Sep 104.35
Nov 105.50
Jan 106.65
Mar 108.25
May 109.75
Volume: 78

HI-PRO SOYA (close £/t)
Sep .... unq
Nov .... —
Jan .... —
Mar .... —
May .... —
Volume: —

POTATO

(£/t)	Open	Close
Nov	unq	150.0
Apr	200.0	197.5
May	unq	210.5
	Volume: 170	

RUBBER
No 1 RSS Cif (p/k)
Sep 78.75-79.25

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm): The market recovered some of Friday's losses but still looked oversupplied, despite the Nigerian problems.

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	16.80	-0.30
Brent 15 day (Sep)	17.05	-0.30
Brent 15 day (Oct)	17.10	-0.10
W Texas Intermediate (Sep)	18.35	-0.10
W Texas Intermediate (Oct)	18.30	-0.10

PRODUCTS ($/MT)
Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

	Bid	Offer
Premium Gas .15	205 (-5)	208 (-5)
Gasoil EEC	150 (-2)	157 (-2)
Non EEC 1H Sep	150 (-2)	157 (-2)
Non EEC 1H Oct	153 (-1)	155 (-1)
3.5 Fuel Oil	85 (n/c)	86 (-1)
Naphtha	162 (-2)	164 (-1)

IPE FUTURES
GNI Ltd

GAS OIL

Sep	151.25-51.50	Dec	159.50-59.75
Oct	155.00-55.25	Jan	161.25 SLR
Nov	157.50-57.75	Feb	161.25-61.50
			Vol: 11932

BRENT (6.00pm)

Sep	17.00-17.01	Dec	16.88 BID
Oct	17.05-17.07	Jan	16.89 SLR
Nov	16.97-17.00		Vol: 36199

UNLEADED GASOLINE

Sep	174.75 SLR	Dec	—
Oct	unq	Jan	—
Nov	153.00 BID		Vol: 0

BIFFEX
GNI Ltd ($10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Aug 94	1485	1485	1488
Sep 94	1447	1445	1444
Oct 94	1458	1448	1448
Jan 95	1465	1465	1465

Vol: 89 lots. Open Int'st: 2483 Index 1501 +2

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE Rudolf Wolff
(Official) (Volume prev day)

	Cash	3mth	Vol
Copper Gde A ($/tonne)	2397.5-2398.0	2409.0-2410.0	1300850
Lead ($/tonne)	545.00-545.50	564.00-564.50	214525
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	937.00-937.50	961.00-962.00	339950
Tin ($/tonne)	5120.0-5125.0	5196.0-5200.0	14510
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1450.5-1451.5	1479.5-1480.0	1522875
Nickel ($/tonne)	5580.0-5585.0	5675.0-5680.0	58104

Germany laments loss of the Prussian virtues

Industrial and financial scandals have shaken the country's once-envied reputation for honesty, diligence and reliability, says Colin Narbrough

Germany, a country with a reputation for iron discipline and hard work, has never had the image problems of, say, Italy, in the field of corporate governance. Germans have been perceived by the outside world as diligent and honest people with whom it was safe to do business.

The run of large-scale business scandals over the past year or so has, however, tarnished the Germans' name for uprightness. Some of its proudest companies, from Volkswagen to Metallgesellschaft, have been affected. Even Deutsche Bank, the godfather to corporate Germany, has suffered a loss of face over its seeming lack of vigilance.

Anglo-Saxon critics of German corporatism have always argued that the intricate web of holdings the powerful German banks and insurers have in the nation's industrial companies, together with their board presence at all the important firms, is an invitation to bad management and dubious practice by an elite of insiders.

A recent study by the Bank for International Settlements (BIS), the central bankers' central bank, based in Basel, concluded that the German, Japanese, British and American mechanisms of corporate control each had their strengths and weaknesses. The German system's primary strength is identified as the use of lower-cost direct monitoring of managers by banks and large shareholders, instead of Anglo-Saxon reliance on higher-cost takeovers. The BIS, it appears, has yet to discover the optimal system.

Although Germany has avoided seeing droves of its corporate captains being hauled off to the magistrates court, or to jail, Italian-style, it has suffered an unprecedented outbreak of fraudulent bankruptcies and corporate criminality during the past couple of years. Last year alone, the police registered a 30 per cent jump, to 42,000, in the number of economic crimes in western Germany. In addition, there were thousands more cases in which justice officials pursued criminals without police involvement. This year the trend is rising.

Bringing the decrepit east German *Länder* into the western economic fold has also been dogged by economic crime. The Treuhand, the privatisation agency which has been charged with the gargantuan task of transferring eastern Germany from the public to the private sector, estimates that fraud and other criminal activity has cost it DM1.4 billion. As in other parts of the former Soviet bloc, the arrival of the free market system has been interpreted by many people as a licence to throw away the rule book.

Economic crime is not limited to boardrooms. Indeed, some of the most celebrated scandals have involved politicians. Trade unions, too, have had their black sheep. Last year, Franz Steinkühler was forced to step down as head of IG Metall, the engineering workers' union, after he was found to have conducted transactions in Daimler-Benz shares shortly before a market-moving announcement. Herr Steinkühler was a member of Daimler's supervisory board.

VW, Europe's biggest carmaker, has attracted most attention worldwide for its industrial espionage battle with General Motors, America's leading automotive group. It was the arrival of Ferdinand Piëch as management board chairman last year which brought an aggressive new tone to the hitherto generally polite world of German business. His immediate appointment of José Ignacio López de Arriortúa, the cost-cutting Spanish head of procurement at GM, and seven close associates, embroiled VW in a bitter feud with GM before the media and the public prosecutor.

Allegations against Señor López and his team of wholesale theft of GM's industrial secrets are still being investigated. But the case has prompted vigorous debate in Germany about corporate ethics in an increasingly competitive market. Americans' tendency to reach for their lawyers means that the dispute could not be settled behind closed doors, with a German banker acting as peacemaker. And remarks from Herr Piëch suggest that he is prepared to go to any lengths to defend Germany's share of the world motor industry. For him, VW is engaged in global economic warfare.





Jürgen Schneider, top, fled leaving debts of DM5 billion. VW's José López and Ferdinand Piëch, right, have been fighting GM over espionage allegations

The cases which have gone more to the heart of the corporate governance issue, and repeatedly put Deutsche Bank in an unfavourable light, were the near-insolvency this year of Metallgesellschaft, the metals and engineering group, after the discovery that Heinz Schimmelbusch, its management board chairman, had lost almost DM2 billion on oil futures trading in New York last year.

The DM3.4 billion rescue put together by Deutsche Bank has still not secured the company's future and has cost thousands of jobs. The question yet to be satisfactorily answered is why nobody noticed Herr Schimmelbusch's exposure on the derivatives market. After all, Deutsche Bank had its own senior representative on Metallgesellschaft's board.

The Metallgesellschaft disaster was quickly followed by the disappearance of Jürgen Schneider, the property magnate, who left behind almost DM5 billion of debt and caused severe embarrassment at the banks, including Deutsche Bank, which had lent freely to the alleged fraudster. Hilmar Kopper, Deutsche Bank's management board chairman, dismissed his own institution's losses from the Schneider affair as "peanuts", but his officials' failure to monitor a Schneider development just a block away from Deutsche Bank's headquarters did little to improve Herr Kopper's standing. Herr Schneider is still in hiding, but the biggest property collapse Germany has seen since the war has left permanent scars on the banks' reputation for diligence.

Balsam, a sports flooring company now in insolvency proceedings, again highlighted the laxity of supervision. The company's directors were arrested and charged with fraud for presenting false accounts to banks to obtain credit. Potential losses to the banks alone are up to DM1.7 billion.

Werner Dieter, who has just stepped down as management board chairman of Mannesmann, the engineering group, is under investigation by the public prosecutor. Allegations that he secretly directed large volumes of Mannesmann business to component companies controlled by his family have again raised the suspicion of supervisory blindness.

Karl Otto Pöhl, the former president of the Bundesbank, now a partner of Oppenheim, a private bank in Cologne, commented that German bank managers had the impression that they were now dealing only with "gangsters and criminals", given the level of fraudulent activity. Creditreform, a leading German credit information company, says most bankruptcies are accompanied by punishable offences, mainly reflecting efforts by the management, especially in family-owned firms, to exhaust every means to try to avert collapse.

Criminality is not only on the increase in boardrooms. This month has seen the launch of an official probe into allegations that five Frankfurt brokers have operated Germany's biggest-ever insider trading network, making hundreds of millions of marks from front-running. This enables dealers to buy stock in companies they know to be targets of purchase orders.

At the weekend, it was revealed that the state government of Hessen, where Frankfurt is located, had uncovered 179 cases of dividend-stripping, involving almost six billion shares worth more than DM2 billion. In dividend-stripping, shares are exchanged between domestic and foreign holders just before dividends are paid, to give the domestic shareholder a tax credit that comes with the cash dividend. The shares are then sold back to the foreign party at a fixed lower price, giving both parties a share of the effective value of the tax credit. The legally dubious practice involved 27 banks and a substantial number of brokers.

Theo Waigel, Germany's finance minister, has claimed that the country is entering a "new era" as a financial centre, following approval last month by the upper house of parliament of a bundle of legislation that makes insider trading officially an offence for the first time. Herr Waigel said the new rules would make Germany more attractive and more transparent for foreign investors. Having secured for Frankfurt the European Monetary Institute, the forerunner of the proposed European Central Bank, Herr Waigel clearly sees Germany as a potential rival to London as Europe's leading financial centre.

But the corporate and stock market scandals making headlines in the world's financial press have not improved foreign perceptions of Germany as a place in which to do business. They will have encouraged the view that Germany, after all, is not so different from other markets.

TEMPUS

No more at Midland

THE sentiments of Midland's branch banking staff who want more pay are understandable. Barely heard above all the noise about lower dealing profits and falling loan provisions was some good news from the boring old Midland branches. These managed to boost operating income by 17 per cent in the first half before the benefit of lower provisions on bad loans. Unfortunately for the staff who want more, HSBC's Mr Bumble is shocked by the suggestion that heshould sacrifice a point or two in the cost/income ratio.

The problem for HSBC is that Midland may be beating its peers in profits growth in branch banking but the benefits are all in the overhead line. In the circumstances, the outlook for maintaining a 22 per cent return on equity in an environment of 2 per cent inflation looks gloomy. Banks are competing hard for market share and businesses are not borrowing to invest. Sooner or later, returns are going to fall. In such circumstances, the temptation for the bank to risk its capital betting on interest rates can be overwhelming. The decision to close the book is temporary and a new set of dealers will no doubt be let loose when Midland's gurus come up with a convincing view of the market.

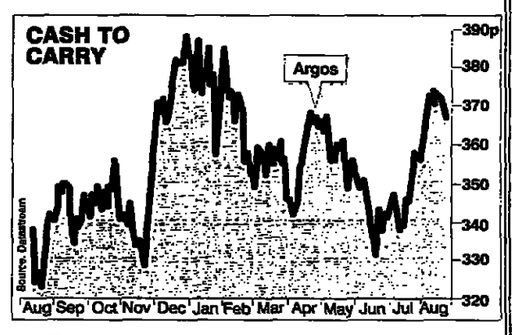
That said, HSBC is in a better position than other UK-based banking groups because its real base — accounting for two thirds of attributable profit — is in Asian markets where double-digit economic growth is the norm. The share sell-off yesterday leaves HSBC shares on a yield of 4.5 per cent, lower than most of the UK banking sector. Investors may speculate whether HSBC shares would be even higher without Midland.

Argos

ARGOS was quick to blame April's tax increases for the sharp slowdown in sales growth in the last two months of the first half. The drop was certainly dramatic, with the growth in sales falling from 9 per cent to 1.3 per cent, enough to prompt analysts to downgrade their full-year profit forecasts from about £97 million to £94 million.

The "tax increase" theory may not satisfy all pundits, but many investors are probably more concerned with Argos's longer-term growth prospects than any short-term anomalies. While Argos looks set to deliver solid sales growth for the next three or four years, its future beyond that timeframe is less certain. With only 348 of its planned 550 stores built, it still has several years of geographic expansion to go. But, as a chain that positions itself on price, it is vulnerable to the continuing rise of "category killers" such as B&Q's Warehouse, as well as the potential expansion of warehouse clubs.

But the company is not defenceless. Its average cash balance in the first half rose to £146.3 million, from £112.0 million, and is likely to be substantially higher by the year end. If Argos uses this war chest to fund an acquisition, which it keeps saying it intends to do, this will provide a useful new growth platform for the business. So far, it has been all talk and no action. Shareholders will soon demand that it deliver on its promise.



Hanson

THE great Hanson car boot sale continues. In the half year to March, the company made a £810 million inroad into its borrowings by selling assets that few investors even knew it owned. The company has also developed a taste for floating its unwanted offshoots, since investors are clearly prepared to pay more than any trade buyer. The $200 million it is expected to raise will more than cover the cost of the group's bid for Scholes earlier this month. Hanson is also keeping a 37 per cent stake in the company. In America, companies have the engaging custom of retaining a minority in the businesses they float off as a mark of good faith to investors that they are not being sold a load of duff stock.

The sale of Ertl looks a classic piece of Hanson opportunism. At $16 a share, the company is being floated on an earnings multiple in the low twenties. Toy companies are fashionable on Wall Street, and Ertl makes this year's top pre-school toy, the Bumble Ball. Hanson cannot refuse to sell when the market values Ertl's shares so much higher than its own.

Hanson has a collection of other consumer businesses in America, which came with the Kidde acquisition, that could be sold to raise similar sums. The group's gearing should be below 60 per cent by its year-end, giving the room for acquisitive manoeuvres that Derek Bonham, the chief executive, wants.

Takare

NURSING homes sit uneasily in the healthcare sector. In reality, they are property developers with services attached. They build and own their premises, admittedly providing a range of essential services for the tenants, but the business of buying land and building for speculative occupation is known better by property than health professionals. Fuelled by demand from the public sector, the business is growing at a rate of knots and investors have begun to doubt the solidity of the profits, criticising Takare's policy of capitalising interest and non-depreciation of properties. The former can be of little current concern after last year's £68 million rights issue, but the nature of Takare's properties probably demands depreciation. The company argues that the cost of maintenance is already apparent, pointing to a one-point fall in the operating margin, which implies an ongoing expense of £1 million in programmed maintenance.

The concern for investors is whether Takare can keep occupancy at the elevated levels needed to maintain its margins. Land costs are soaring and the high demand for beds will begin to level off over the next five years. Takare's challenge will be to keep its rate of investment from running ahead of demand from the public sector, which accounts for almost two thirds of its income, and the challenge for investors is to sell the shares before Takare loosens the throttle.

BUSINESS LETTERS

Innovation not protectionism is the only solution

From Mr John Warburton

Sir, I welcome the news from the new director-general of the Institute of Directors (August 4), emphasising that the IoD is not seeking to be part of our dependency society. The IoD has of course many components, but unlike the Confederation of British Industry, is not wholly production-orientated.

The last 20 years have shown that short-term protectionist policies are the kiss of death to any industry. The motor manufacturers, the airplane constructors, the makers of office equipment, TV and domestic white goods — they all cost us a lot of wasted money trying to keep them in business against the competition of innovative design, lower production cost, better presentation, livelier management et al.

The IoD is in the forefront of telling us how it is and negating the constant call for "them" to do something about it — meaning governmental intervention to delay the failure of out-dated industries with out-dated managements. We opt for capitalism, especially now we have seen the alternatives fail so badly in the East. Capitalism is survival, a hard school, leaving little room for the do-gooding of the vote catchers, most of whom are guilt-ridden middle class, who have had the benefit of their parents' substance to give them a decent degree (although probably not a very useful one), which allows them to hold on to a decent living standard, probably provided by the "caring industries" of the 1990s.

We do need to accept where we are in the world — Fortress Europe would give us a very limited breathing space, and protectionism in any form only allows an industry to decompose from the inside. Our only hope is facing the reality that Government has little external authority and neither the ability nor the will to actually cure the terminal illness of our productive capacity. Only the risk takers, the innovators and the entrepreneurs can save jobs, but certainly not all of them in a computerised age.

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Lloyd's underwriters were negligent

From the Secretary, Lloyd's Long Tail Chairmen's Group

Sir, Peter Hill of Lloyd's Communications Dept. (Business Letters August 12) has failed to grasp the point that the negligence alleged by Patrick Browne (August 9) lies not in underwriters' failure to predict specific events such as the Superfund legislation, but in writing large numbers of policies with such a depth and breadth of coverage that they were laying themselves open to very serious products and general liability problems in the future (of which asbestos and pollution are the most notorious examples).

Mr Hill fails to mention that the Superfund legislation merely confirmed a US litigation trend that was becoming increasingly adverse to insurers. Between 1975 and 1980 there were many rulings that extended the scope and amount of coverage that insurers were deemed to have given: for example, many courts ruled that ALL policies were at risk where damage extended over a period of time and that it was sufficient for a plaintiff to show that a product was dangerous without proving its dangers were known.

The Superfund legislation of 1980, which, as Mr Hill rightly points out, imposed retrospective liability, should have made it clearer than it already was that Names were faced with unquantifiable and potentially astronomic liabilities. Certainly, the Commercial Union stated publicly in 1981 that the survival of the insurance industry was threatened.

So regardless of whether it was negligent to write such policies in the first place, once US court decisions had shown that Names were exposed to a colossal accumulation of liability, those underwriters who failed to protect existing Names as best they could by re-insurance, and who exposed, without adequate warning, thousands of Names who joined unprotected "long tail" syndicates after 1979 to the risk of bankruptcy, were surely negligent or worse.

Yours faithfully,
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Fatherly word about golden handshakes

From Mrs Elizabeth Boyling

Sir, The article on August 12 about "golden handshakes", with the repetition of the word "earned", struck chords in my memory and vast irritation. My father has always taught me that we may be told by the press/media/Government/unions that these demi-gods and others have "earned" these payments, but my father says the true words are they were simply "paid" those amounts.

Yours faithfully,
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THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Long waves goodbye

PIONEERING radio station classic FM, has lost one of its founder-directors to the siren call of the City. Tracy Long, who, as sponsorship director, has helped push Classic FM close to break-even after just two years on the air, joins Baring Brothers next month as media specialist in mergers and acquisitions. The high-profile catch is a coup for the merchant bank, which has a strong track record on media assignments. But the deal will no doubt cause predictable discord in the boardroom of Classic. The station is pulling in advertising and sponsorship revenue of £1 million a month, according to the first annual report, published last month, and has won a faithful following of five million listeners a week. Long has helped to make Classic FM the most conspicuous success to emerge from the Government's programme of deregulation of the radio industry. Nigel Reeve, sales director, will handle the sponsorship of regular programmes after Long leaves for Baring Brothers at the end of this month. Robert O'Dowd, enterprise director, will shoulder the responsibility for Classic's special projects.



Hanging high

CITY types threw themselves off the 220ft-high Barclays Bank Tower at the weekend as part of yet another charity abseil. Barclays de Zoete Wedd and Kleinwort Benson were among about 30 teams taking part, raising an estimated £20,000 for The Spastics Society. The building is soon to be demolished. The last person to dangle from a rope at Barclays was the protester who staged his own mock hanging at last week's annual meeting.

Winning Furlong

FIRM going for Jim Furlong, the City headhunter known, appropriately, for his interest in horse racing. I hear that the racing club he set up for City punters earlier this year has just had its first success — raking in £6,000 or so in winnings on a nag called Conic Hill. Furlong is also enjoying a good run on horses reared at his 42-box yard near Newmarket — he has had seven winners this year — but reports that trends are not as favourable in American equity sales, a market he knows well from his days at Drexel Burnham Lambert. His firm, Furlong Associates, has placed 11 brokers this year, but I gather that salaries in the sector are on the wane. "Racing is a good way of relieving the stress," he says.

Fine art

SOTHEBY'S has become the first foreign auction house to open an office in Malaysia, and appears to have pulled all the right strings. Its representative, Walter Cheah, a prominent art collector, is married to the daughter of the late minister of finance. The firm opened an office in Shanghai in April.

Gilt hedge

NOT only has Brian Winterflood branched into gilt-edged market making, but he has taken on the firm's first female trader. Jo Clark, a former fund manager with BSI, the Swiss-Italian finance house, cut a glamorous figure among the lads at yesterday's launch, and is certainly more attractive than Barry Pearl, the senior gilts dealer. Pearl, the last gilts jobber to quit the floor of the Stock Exchange after Big Bang, defected to Winterflood Securities from UBS, taking Ian Phipps with him. They, along with team leader Adrian Ireland, latterly of SG Warburg, had to put up with the usual City ribbing that goes with this kind of launch. "Would you buy a used car from this man?" were among the more printable comments.

Browned off

CONFUSION all round after a City PR girl was allegedly "toasted" on a sunbed at the exclusive Henlow Grange health farm in Bedfordshire at the weekend. The victim claims to have been left tanning for an hour-and-a-half after she fell asleep and staff failed to notice her plight. Could such a fate await Paul Gascoigne and other regular celebrity clients? "When you run an operation as large as this, accidents are going to happen," says Stephen Purdew, a director. "It is not an incident I am happy about, but the lady was not injured." An inquiry is under way.

JON ASHWORTH

Shares mark time

TRADING PERIOD: Settlement takes place ten business days after the day of trade. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close, but adjustments are made when a stock is ex-dividend. Changes, yields and price/earnings ratios are based on middle prices.

BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
523	381	Abbey Ntl	392 †	-1½	...	5.0	13.2
314	234	Allied Irish	242 †	-½	...	5.2	9.3
226½	179½	Aus New Z	198	+3	...	4.0	29.4
3300	2637½	Bankamerica	3125	+50	...	...	...
319	246	Bk of Ireland	266	-1	...	4.9	7.7
247	172½	Bank Scotland	185	...	...	3.4	15.1
640	487	Barclays	544 †	+5	...	3.6	16.8
37	13½	Carlisle	29½	...	...	1.1	...
630½	449	Cater Allen	517 ‡	+2	...	6.8	∞
180	130	Cattles	154	+3	...	4.1	15.8
2628½	1543½	Chase Manh	2325 †	+15½	...	...	...
2912½	2262½	Citicorp	2750	+37½	...	...	...
285½	209	Close Bros	241	+2	...	3.3	13.1
£150½	£121½	Commerzbk	£134½	-275	...	6.2	...
£344½	£270¼	Deutsche Bk	£289¾	-412½	...	2.4	...
90	60	First Nat Fin	66 †	...	...	2.8	...
1549½	1152	Fuji Bank Y	1502½	-11½	...	0.4	∞
515	395	Gerrard Nat	478	+4	22.0	5.8	13.8
1113	660	HSBC	749	-10	...	4.1	10.7
1133	680	HSBC HK	763	-9	...	4.1	10.9
473	256	Hambros	310 †	-1	...	6.0	12.7
443	400	Joseph (L)	405 †	...	...	5.4	11.8
170	132	King Shaxson	132	...	...	8.5	13.0
693	424	Kleinwort Ben	511 †	-1½	...	4.7	9.0
660	519	Lloyds	539 †	-6	...	5.1	10.6
118	95	Lon Scot Bk	113	...	...	3.9	17.2
620½	489½	Nat Aust Bk	532	+4	...	5.3	11.0
622	421	Nat West	462 †	+12	...	5.2	8.6
573	415	Provident	513	...	...	3.9	16.3
79	53	Rea Bros	63	...	...	1.5	16.2
528	377½	Ryl Bk Scot	392	-3	...	3.8	17.7
1460	1050	Schroders	1330	+15	...	1.6	12.5
359½	223	Stand Chart	250	+3	...	3.2	10.9
291	197	TSB	207 †	...	...	4.9	10.4
199	108	Union	109	...	...	5.3	9.8
1012	676	Warburg SG	753	+8	...	3.7	9.1
£105	8612½	Wells Fargo	£102¾	+67½	...	2.6	...
260	194	Westpac	216	+2	...	2.5	∞
390	293	Wintrust	293	...	...	4.5	∞

BREWERIES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
683	540	Allied-Lyons	590	-½	...	4.7	14.4
619	485	Bass	574	+6	...	4.6	15.0
298	250	Boddington	268	+1	...	3.7	15.0
459	358	Bulmer (HP)	389 †	...	...	3.5	22.4
196	168	Burtonwd Brw	182 †	...	...	3.4	15.2
181	142	Eldridge P 'A'	150	+1	...	3.0	20.8
66	46½	Fosters Brewing	55	...	...	5.2	63.6
493	417	Fullr Sm 'A'	419 †	...	...	2.3	17.3
506	375	Grand Met	437 †	+3	...	3.8	19.0
511	399	Greenalls Grp	439	4	...	3.6	16.8
584	452	Greene King	496 †	-1	...	3.3	13.8
542	428	Guinness	458	+3	...	3.5	14.8
261	239	Hardy Hansn	258	+4	...	4.3	13.2
160	135	Heavitree	150	...	...	3.4	13.5
457	353	Highland Distl	419	...	...	2.0	19.9
3605	3125	Holt J	3600	...	...	1.7	20.3
175	122	Macallan-Glen	175	...	...	0.8	48.3
628	365	Mactin Martn 'A'	628	...	...	1.9	25.8
246	195	Mansfield	228 †	...	...	2.4	∞
302	256	Mrstn Thmp	285	+3	...	3.6	14.8
626	544	Matthew Clark	626 †	...	...	3.6	∞
290	113	Mrydwn W	121 †	...	...	2.6	...
545	463	Morland	498	...	...	2.5	16.7
10½	8½	Paramount	8½	...	...	2.2	15.7
267	209	Regent Inns	244	...	...	2.0	24.8
1521½	1000	SA Breweries	1253½	...	...	2.2	20.4
591	493	Scot & New	532 †	+5	...	4.0	15.8
190	142	Taunton Cider	174 †	...	...	4.7	13.3
306	229	Vaux Group	239	+1	...	5.0	15.4
403½	324½	Wetherspoon JD	391	...	...	1.9	25.8
617	494	Whitbread	560½	+8½	...	4.2	16.3
589	493	Wolvrhmptn D	533	+1	...	3.0	15.0
535	483	Young 'A'	503	...	...	3.7	19.3

BUILDING, ROADS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
205	135	Abbey	160 †	...	...	1.6	∞
27	14	Albrighton	14 †	...	...	4.5	13.4
200	148	Allen	157	-1	...	4.2	18.6
164	99	Amec	116	-1	...	3.2	55.8
454	333	Ashtead	412 †	+2½	...	1.7	∞
166	109	Atwoods	116	...	...	5.4	...
363	274	BPB Ind	332 †	-1	...	3.0	22.4
142	93	Baggeridge Brk	137	...	...	2.9	25.9
41	26	Bailey (Benj) Con	34	...	...	2.6	20.8
88	18½	Barcom	23	...	...	9.5	2.8
60	38½	Bardon	44	+1	...	5.7	...
292	188	Barratt Devs	191	-1	...	3.3	20.5
169	139	Beazer Homes	150	-4½	...	4.2	13.2
304	198	Bellway	216	-1	...	3.6	20.3
59	42	Bellwinch	42	...	...	...	...
244	125	Berisford Intl	217	-1	...	...	...
573	391	Berkeley Gp	422 †	+2	...	2.1	17.5
215	118	Bett Bros	175	...	...	2.0	8.7
93	60	Blockleys	70	...	...	1.8	...
391	262	Blue Circle	311	-1	...	4.5	26.2
355	277	Boot (Henry)	303	-2	...	2.7	15.4
80	35	Brandon Hire	40	+2	...	2.4	∞
117	77	Breedon PLC	89	...	...	6.5	25.5
154	130	Br Dredging	146	+6	...	4.8	18.7
98	78	Brit Fittings	87	...	2.0	2.9	∞
197½	140	Bryant	150	-3	...	4.0	22.8
145½	111½	CALA	125	...	...	2.6	...
409	321	CRH	374	+3	...	2.6	19.0
70	31	Cakebread Rby	43	...	...	...	...
42	24	Costain	29	...	...	...	...
185	143	Countryside	152 †	...	...	3.4	33.7
120	85	Crest Nicholson	88½	+1	...	2.3	16.4
140	100	Cussins	110	+1	...	3.4	13.3
30	19	Edmond Hldgs	25	...	...	1.5	...
390	273	Epwin	310	+5	...	3.2	20.3
82	57	Erith	70	+1	...	1.8	39.4
473	358	Eve Group	358 †	-5	...	3.8	∞
60	36½	Galliford	39½	...	...	3.4	...
112	87	Gibbs & Dandy	92	...	2.5	3.4	∞
1028	863	Gleeson (MJ)	863	...	...	1.8	15.1
218	182	Graham Grp	192	+3	...	3.0	18.3
169	139	Hewden-Stuart	160	+1	...	3.3	23.6
82	46	Hewetson	75	...	...	2.1	...
473	334	Heywd Wlm	368	...	...	4.4	24.5
144	96	Higgs & Hill	96	...	...	3.3	...
41	27	How Gp	39	...	...	2.4	...
32	20	Howard Hldgs	27 †	-½	...	3.7	∞
100	67	Ibstock	77	...	...	1.6	...
25	6	Jarvis	9½	...	...	...	...
138	104	Keller	130	...	...	3.6	15.1
428	261	Laing (J)	299	...	...	3.8	21.3
164	104	-do- 6.4% Cv Pf	117	...	...	6.8	...
145	115	Ln Clydeside	127	...	...	4.7	17.6
173	78	Lovell (YJ)	78	...	...	...	...
465	332	Manders	348	...	...	3.6	18.3
213½	138½	Marley	164	-1	...	3.2	26.8
155	126	Marshalls	143 †	...	...	3.7	37.5
250	196	Maunders (J)	245	...	...	2.7	22.6
321	194	Mcalpine (A)	205	...	...	4.0	30.1
76½	50½	McCarthy & S	59	+1	...	1.1	...
569	384	Meyer Int	436 †	-5	...	3.1	18.4
185½	94	Mowlem (J)	97	...	...	2.6	...
202½	96	NSM	108	...	...	...	12.4
48	33	Needler	33	...	...	...	...
196	146	Newman Tnks	174	+2	...	4.5	23.3
379½	229	Persimmon	252	-1	...	4.5	22.6
20	9	Phoenix Timber	13	...	...	...	...
1800	1450	Pochins	1550	...	29.0	2.4	22.0
198	131	Prowting	132	...	...	3.2	40.6
1079	805	RMC Gp	969	+2	...	2.7	22.4
116	68	Raine Ind	89	...	...	3.6	15.0
40	23	Ramus	25	...	...	...	...
640	466	Redland	536	...	...	5.8	28.1
108	70	Roskel	95	...	4.3	5.7	...
185½	125	Rugby Group	145	+2	...	2.9	19.6
61	53	Secure Retire	55	...	...	...	...
64	50	Sndld-Rvea	64	...	0.5	1.0	∞
195	155	Sharpe & Fisher	191	-1	...	2.7	20.9
288	222	Sheffield Inst	262	...	...	2.6	21.0
342	233	Sherriff Hldgs	342 †	...	...	1.6	22.8
157	94	Shorco	151	...	5.2	4.3	27.3
245	195	Smart (J)	215	...	...	4.9	18.5
5	1½	Starmin	2	+¼	...	...	...
236	135	Tarmac	149	-3	...	4.6	...
257	154	Tay Homes	164	+1	...	4.6	17.6
183	121	Taylor Woodrw	134	-4½	...	1.4	32.7
760	598	Tilbury Dougls	599	...	...	6.9	62.9
60	36	Torex Hire	56 †	...	...	2.0	...
370	274	Travis Perkins	318	...	...	3.1	25.7
29½	16	Trencherwood	19	...	...	...	...
40½	23	Try Group	25	...	...	2.5	...
28	21	Tudor	25	...	...	1.2	...
113	90	Vibroplant	103	...	...	4.5	∞
170	127½	Wainhomes	144	...	...	3.6	15.6
74	50	Ward Hldgs	72	...	...	0.9	...
63	33	Waterhouse	56	...	...	...	...
545	450	Watts Blake	515	...	...	2.9	22.1
225½	154	Westbury	162	...	...	4.1	18.1
7	3½	Wiggins	6	...	...	...	...
571	397	Wilson Bowdn	402	+4	...	2.9	15.1
259	185	Wilson (C)	212	...	...	2.4	20.7
249	151	Wimpey G	157	-2	...	4.2	23.5
30	16	YRM	23	+1	...	...	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
740	583	ADT	666	-5	...	...	...
443	253	Adam & Harvey	428 †	...	...	4.3	∞
93	58	Air London	63	...	...	6.9	13.8
62	44	African Lakes	53	...	...	1.2	...
140	42½	Auto Sec	95	...	...	...	12.3
162	101½	BET Ord	118½	-1½	...	3.4	19.7
195	115	BNB Res	172	...	...	3.6	20.1
255	175	BPP	225	...	...	5.0	16.2
186	151	BSM	152	...	...	4.8	12.9
235	198	Barbour Index	203	-4	...	5.4	∞
1½	1	Black & Edge	1½	...	...	...	...
226	161	Brit Data Mgt	175	-4	4.9	3.5	12.8
31	22	Broadcastle	27	...	...	4.6	12.9
79	58	Brooks Service	69	...	...	2.7	...
117½	95½	CRT Gp	96 ‡	...	...	4.3	∞
238	159	Capita Group	164 †	-2	...	2.1	20.9
59	30	Caskets Plc	34½	+½	...	4.0	11.7
26½	7½	Chiltern Capital	26½	...	...	...	...
85	56	Christie	61	...	...	...	...
423	292	Chubb Sec	334 †	-1	...	2.3	20.5
61	41	Corp Services	57	...	...	0.5	21.4
97	81	Coutts Cnslg	89	...	...	...	...
179	140	Dart	152 †	+1	...	3.0	16.2
276	212	Davis Service	238	...	...	4.2	16.6
154	119	EW Fact	121	-1	...	4.9	9.1
34	18½	Gardiner	19	...	...	5.0	8.9
334	261	Hays	300	-1	...	2.3	23.2
259	220	Hogg Robinsn	248	...	...	3.0	17.3
39	18	Holmes Protectn	29	...	...	...	1.8
365½	240	Hunch Whamp	300½	-4½	...	1.9	21.3
2696½	2098½	ISS B DKr	2271½	+9½	...	4.6	2.4
609	428	Inchcape	483	+3	...	3.8	15.4
169	156	JBA Hldgs	156	-2	...	1.9	15.9
414	284	Johnson Clean	284	...	...	4.8	11.4
8	4	Lep	4½	...	...	...	...
375	293	Mide Gp	338	...	...	1.7	∞
1606½	1156½	Manpower	1581½	+12½	...	0.8	...
86	65	Michael Page	86	...	...	3.1	21.1
132	90	Parity	110	...	...	1.7	28.5
115	85	Pendas	85	...	...	5.9	...
99½	60½	Proudfoot	86	+1	...	6.6	16.3
415	310	PCO	310	...	...	6.2	10.6
123	97	REA	120 †	...	...	6.2	45.8
149	104	Reed Executive	149	...	1.0	0.8	...
131	105	Reliance Sec	128	...	...	4.7	∞
270	190½	Rentokil	239	+2	...	1.5	24.6
188	147½	Rolfe & Nolan	158 †	...	...	2.7	29.2
392	243	Salvesen (C)	280	-1	...	3.6	14.6
61	43	Scott Pickford	57 †	...	...	2.0	∞
17½	9	Select Appt	13	...	...	...	...
307	243	Senm Gp	286	-2	...	1.5	26.0
130	75	Sherwd Cmpt	120	...	...	1.7	...
130	100	Sketchley	103	...	...	3.9	16.1
338	325	Warner Howrd	330	...	...	2.8	15.7
30½	20½	Wills Gp	21	...	...	2.5	14.2

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
147	115½	Allied Colloids	147 ‡	...	...	2.0	23.6
1141	910	Amersham	1019	...	...	1.9	21.4
3½	2½	Anglo Utd	2½	...	...	...	...
£136½	£108½	BASF DM	£133½	+89½	...	7.2	...
373	287	BTP	315 †	-4	...	4.0	19.9
£159½	£129½	Bayer DM50	£151½	-12½	...	6.1	...
171	97	Blagden	126	...	...	1.5	58.0
131	98	Brent Chems	129½	+½	...	4.0	...
460	311½	Brit Biotech	389	...	...	...	...
13	5½	Calrd Gp	7½	...	...	...	20.8
199	153	Canning (W)	196	...	...	4.6	33.2
580	467	Courtaulds	532	+5	...	3.5	42.9
384	327	Croda	379	+1	...	2.8	19.3
133	95	Doeflex	95	...	...	6.1	10.8
282	225	Ellis & Everard	272 †	...	...	3.5	∞
58	35½	Euro Colour	55½	...	...	2.6	19.8
362	337	Halstead (J)	362	...	...	3.3	16.9
223	160	Hickson	168	...	...	6.1	15.9
£157½	£108½	Hoechst	£153½	+71½	...	4.9	...
250	153½	Holliday Chem	238 †	-7	...	2.3	19.5
868	728	ICI	838 †	-7	...	4.1	67.7
843	704	Laporte	817	+14	...	3.2	22.1
248	190	Leigh	229 †	+1½	...	4.4	20.4
76	48	MTM	74	...	...	...	...
2400½	1912½	Norsk Hydro	2415½	+6½	...	1.4	∞
625	461	Paterson Zoch	498	...	...	3.2	13.1
595	416	-do- 'A'	482	...	...	3.3	12.7
250	188	Plysu	189	...	...	4.6	27.0
349	265	Porvair	310	...	...	1.7	23.3
66	44	Sutcliffe Speak	68	...	...	1.3	28.2
490	361	Wardle Storeys	390	...	...	5.5	20.4
738	570	Wlsnhlme R	738	...	...	3.0	18.4
483	380	Yorks Chem	431 †	+1	...	2.4	18.6
336	258	Yule Catto	325	+1	...	2.4	24.7
869	672	Zeneca	827	+2	...	4.2	16.4

DRAPERY, STORES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
248	203	Allders	234 †	-1	...	3.3	17.4
410	330	Argos Plc	367	-7	...	3.8	19.5
102	54½	Ashley (Laura)	74	+2	...	0.2	...
357	300	Asprey	314 †	...	...	2.4	15.5
231	176	Austin Reed	230	...	...	3.0	12.0
168	139	Beattie (J) 'A'	140	...	...	5.5	15.1
150	110	Bentalls	123	...	...	2.0	46.3
165	73	Betterware	83	...	...	3.9	9.0
48	36	Blacks Leis	45	...	...	6.5	∞
264	214	Body Shop	243	-1	...	1.0	22.8
601	504	Boots	535 †	+3	...	3.3	21.1
12½	2½	Brown & Jackson	3½	...	...	...	...
265½	210	Brown (N)	244	...	...	2.0	23.4
74½	51	Burton	60½	+1	...	4.1	...
245	180	Cantors	192	...	...	2.6	26.7
520	398	Church	483	...	...	3.4	27.7
171	96	Clinton Cards	97	...	...	6.1	8.4
287	200	Coats Viyella	224½	-½	...	4.5	19.6
170	145	Cty Casuals	145	...	...	3.7	14.8
903	740	Courts Furnish	771	...	...	1.0	39.0
210	155	Crown Eyes	170 †	...	...	7.0	∞
137	83	Dairy Farm Intl	98½	+1	...	3.7	13.4
136½	97½	Dewhirst (IJ)	133½	...	...	1.4	54.2
297	170	Dixons Grp	199 †	-3	...	4.1	25.6
11½	7½	ERA Gp	8½	...	...	...	...
11½	4½	Eclipse Blinds	7½	+½	...	3.2	...
580	530	Elys (Wmbldn)	580	...	17.0	3.7	∞
281	191	Essex Furn	197	-3	...	2.4	31.5
296	217	Etam	296	...	...	3.2	21.0
558	494	Fine Art Dev	502	+1	14.3	3.6	15.5
50	46	Fired Earth	48	...	...	...	...
725	600	Formlnster	720 †	...	...	2.8	∞
195	124	French Conn	195	...	...	...	11.0
73	48	Gent SR	62	+6	...	4.5	19.3
116	85	Goldsmiths Gp	112 †	...	...	1.2	20.1
653	549½	GUS	561	...	...	2.9	16.2
196	164	Hamleys	185	...	...	3.2	17.8
31	21	Hampden Grp	23	...	...	5.4	...
70½	13½	Harstone	17 †	...	...	2.4	...
110	55	Heritage	55	...	...	...	...
91	64	Honeysuckle	69	-1	...	4.5	10.1
218	178	Hse of Fraser	217	...	...	2.9	19.5
211	173	Jacques Vert	186	...	...	3.1	16.1
778	477	Kingfisher	520	+3	...	3.6	12.7
88	61	Leslie Wise Gp	68 †	...	...	7.4	14.3
435	350	Liberty	398	...	...	1.5	48.9
380	277	Lloyds Chem	312	...	...	3.2	10.3
184	137	MFI	152	-1	...	3.3	19.3
460½	380	Marks Spencer	433	+3	...	2.7	20.1
680	554	Menzies (John)	583	+1	...	2.6	14.1
343	238	Moss Bros	336	...	...	2.7	15.9
261	214	Next	261	-3	...	2.6	19.4
71½	39	Oliver (G)	71½	...	...	...	76.9
335	255	Oriflame Intl	274	+4	...	4.9	∞
37	22½	Pentos	24	...	...	...	...
268	169	QS Hldgs	170	...	...	3.8	20.0
62	25	Rhino Grp	31	...	...	2.0	11.2
209	157½	Rosebys	199	...	...	3.7	18.0
180	113	Sherwood Gp	115	...	...	3.2	11.4
132	110	Sears	123	...	...	3.7	20.9
46	23½	Signet Group	30	+½	...	...	15.2
549	450	Smith WH	483	...	...	3.9	15.6
21	11	Specialeyes	12	-1	...	...	...
252	205	Storehouse	220	...	...	3.1	19.6
198	146	T & S Stores	186	...	...	4.1	13.8
173	124	Tie Rack	142	...	...	1.5	16.9
265	215	Time Products	238	+1	...	4.5	18.4
132	105	Usher (Frank)	106	...	6.0	7.1	11.5
502	384	Vendome	499 †	+3	...	1.4	∞
44	34	Vivat	38	+2	...	4.1	9.9
70	34	WEW Group	36	...	...	2.1	26.5
81	42	Wensum	81	+3	...	3.1	28.6
129	91	Wickes	94	+1	...	1.7	21.0
97	54	Wld of Leather	96	-1	...	...	...
195	138	Wyevale	139	...	...	4.0	14.7

ELECTRICALS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
187	109	ACT Group	125 †	+2	...	5.2	11.7
296	248	Acal	276	...	...	3.1	17.3
645	478	Admiral	645	...	...	1.3	19.7
193	163	Alba	193	+1	...	3.1	15.6
43	34	Alphameric	38	...	...	...	29.0
50	26	Amstrad	33	...	...	1.9	...
105	73	App Holo	105	+4	...	...	...
30	24	Arlen	30	...	...	...	...
94½	78	Astec	91½	-½	...	1.0	22.6
251	197	Azlan	197 †	...	...	1.9	∞
283	239	Beales Hunter	269	+4	...	4.6	∞
478	378	BICC	421	+3	...	5.7	30.8
535	411	Bick	435 †	+2	...	3.0	17.5
1100	637½	Borland	850	...	...	...	...
380	305½	Bowthorpe	321	...	...	2.7	17.9
486	353½	BT	376½	+1	...	5.5	13.1
367	236½	BT P/P	257 †	+1½	...	5.5	13.1
30	14½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	19	+½	...	1.6	13.8
79	55	Burnfield	70	...	...	4.5	54.4
543	394	Cable Wireless	435½	+3½	...	2.4	18.5
35½	24	Chloride	30½	...	...	...	...
283	263	CML Micro	268	...	...	2.8	∞
182	105	Compter People	175	...	...	1.1	39.9
202	154	Cray Elect	186 †	+1	...	1.5	∞
467	412	Critchley	464 †	...	...	2.2	20.8
586	473	Delta	527	...	...	3.4	23.4
663	446	Denmans Ele	585	...	...	1.4	16.3
560	400	Domino	560	...	...	1.9	24.1
78	68	Dowding Mills	75	...	...	4.2	25.2
1635	1220	Druck	1483 †	...	...	0.9	∞
589	463	Electrocompnts	498 †	+4	...	2.4	21.7
199½	135	El Data Prc	138	...	...	1.7	12.8
175	133	Electron House	160	...	...	2.5	∞
35½	21	Emess	35½	+2½	...	0.4	...
451	343	Eurotherm	388 †	...	...	1.6	23.0
212	162½	FKI	182 †	-2	...	2.5	22.1
656	512	Farnell Elect	533	+1	...	1.7	21.9
339	296	First Tech	339	...	...	1.3	∞
283	200	Forward Gp	215	-2	...	2.9	12.9
50	14½	Forward Tech	49½	...	...	0.6	...
353½	269½	GEC	284½	+4	...	4.8	14.3
191	119	Graseby	149	...	...	5.5	13.8
14½	10	Graystone	14	...	...	...	...
193	126	Ind Control	138	-2	...	4.1	12.3
388	268	Jones Stroud	315 †	+5½	...	3.6	∞
145	99	Kalamazoo	143 †	-1	...	2.9	∞
16	9	Kembrey	16 †	...	0.1	1.2	∞
396	335	Kenwood App	371 ‡	...	...	3.0	17.8
298	221	Kewill Sys	270 †	...	...	2.3	∞
165	75	Kode	75	...	...	10.0	10.7
35	19	Laser-Scan	22	...	...	...	...
147½	68	LBMS	92 †	...	...	...	...
355	255	Lec Refrig	355	...	...	3.2	...
171	107	Life Sciences	140	...	...	3.5	14.7
314	266	Logica	287	-1	...	1.8	33.1
52	45	LPA Ind	46	...	...	4.3	...
216	135	MR Data Mngmt	141	...	...	4.9	15.7
723	553	Macro 4	553	...	...	4.4	16.6
281	210	Memler-Sw	242 †	...	...	2.1	∞
1320	795	Micro Focus	1063	-38	...	...	10.2
178	126	Microgen	130 †	...	...	7.0	13.0
45	31	Microvitec	41½	-½	...	...	...
548½	432	Misys	434 †	-1	...	2.3	∞
494	185	Mitel	242	+9	...	...	...
189	143	MMT Comp	177	...	...	3.0	18.1
315	250	MTL Instr	309	...	...	1.7	20.0
148	114	Murray Ent	124 ‡	+1	...	2.0	...
2746½	2300	NYNEX	2508½	-6½	...	...	...
128	78	Neotronics	78 †	...	...	4.2	16.9
56	53	Newmark (L)	56	...	...	...	...
415	279	Norbain	410 †	...	...	0.7	∞
87	47	Northamber	85 †	...	...	1.2	∞
9½	4½	Oceonics	6	...	...	...	...
31	24	Orbis	26 ‡	+1	0.5	2.5	∞
359	277	Oxford Inst	302 †	+4½	...	2.0	17.8
84	60	P & P	68 ‡	...	...	3.9	16.9
98	74½	Peek	87	+1	...	4.9	22.5
£105	9750	Philips Fn 4%	£105	...	...	5.5	...
2150	1400	-do- Lnp nv	2150	-40½	...	0.9	9.6
440	236	Phonelink	275	-2	...	...	...
348	293	Pifco	348	+6	...	1.5	29.2
333	283	-do- 'A' Voting	333	+6	...	1.6	27.9
123	70	Plasmec	121	...	...	3.1	...
129	100	Pressac	129	...	...	2.5	26.4
303	181	Psion	259	+7	...	1.4	28.3
258	157	Racal Elect	241 †	-3	...	2.2	19.8
50	33	Radamec	46	...	...	4.6	13.9
41	27	Radius	39	-1	...	1.3	...
166	73	Real Time	153	...	...	3.4	∞
311	229	Roxboro	260	...	...	0.9	19.0
610	502	Sage Gp	583	...	...	2.2	15.7
94	77½	Sanderson Elec	85	-2	...	4.2	...
89	25	Scantronic	26½	-½	3.1	15.0	7.3
256	162	Scholes Grp	256	+2	...	0.8	∞
428	310	Sema Gp	424	...	...	0.9	25.6
270	245	Servomex	245	...	...	3.3	27.5
49	37	Silverlines	37	...	...	1.8	22.0
94	63	Soundtracks	68 †	...	...	4.4	15.4
3325	2265½	TDK	2837½	-40½	...	1.1	∞
19	11	TDS Circuits	14½	+1½	...	...	...
170	83	Telemetrix	88	...	...	1.4	10.3
295	191	Telspec	203	-2	...	1.1	34.2
1165	979	THORN EMI	1025 †	-5	...	4.1	20.9
203	133	Thorpe FW	201	...	...	1.8	18.0
43	22	Total Systems	35	...	...	7.5	∞
303	215	Tunstall	250	+1	...	1.8	17.9
363	256	Unitech	359 †	+½	...	2.3	∞
16	9½	Verity	11½	...	...	...	...
31	21½	Vistec	23½	...	...	2.1	12.8
212	157½	Vodafone	185½	-1½	...	1.9	34.2
483	395	Volex	419 †	+2½	...	5.4	13.4
31	20	Western Selectn	26	...	0.2	1.2	...
335	260	Wholesale Ftgs	274	...	11.7	5.5	∞

ELECTRICITY

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
728	537	East Midlands	698 †	-12	...	4.1	13.1
778	566	Eastern Elect	766 †	+3	...	3.5	16.6
477	322	Hydro-Elect	366 †	-1½	...	4.3	11.6
737½	534	London Elect	662	+4	...	4.2	10.1
850	635	Manweb	769 †	-16	...	4.0	9.2
769	547	Midlands Elec	749 †	-7	...	3.9	11.5
505	409½	National Powr	478½	+3½	...	3.3	11.9
801	587	Northern Elec	732 †	-22	...	4.2	9.2
421	329	Nthn Ireland	365 †	+2	...	3.9	9.9
806	587	Norweb	735 †	-13½	...	3.9	9.7
580	449	PowerGen	552	+4	...	2.9	12.1
486	337½	Scottish Power	380 †	-2	...	4.1	12.0
435	299	Seeboard	401 †	-13	...	3.7	10.6
825	591	Sth Wales	742 †	-4	...	4.2	10.1
744	551	Sth Western	712 †	-27	...	4.1	9.5
755	540	Southern Elec	726 †	-14	...	3.9	11.3
729½	532	Yorkshire Elec	672 †	-17	...	4.4	13.1

FINANCE, LAND

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
57	51	Aitken Hume	51 #	...	1.0	2.5	10.8
165	99	BWD	109 †	+1	...	4.8	8.9
118	96	Baltic Plc	116	...	...	1.6	12.9
215	163	Blues Inv	168	-5	...	...	...
757	623	Caledonia	735	+2	...	2.8	18.2
2600	1900	Camellia	2500	-50	...	1.6	6.7
363	310	Candover	321	...	...	4.3	...
465	367	Govett	379 †	+2	...	5.0	6.1
250	185	Ivory Sime	229 †	...	...	4.1	17.8
429	175	Johnson Fry	203	...	1.5	0.9	...
245	143	Lon Forfaitng	147	...	...	7.9	9.2
57	44	Manakin	49	...	...	...	...
29½	8½	Nat Home Loan	17½	...	...	...	0.4
58	53	Newmarket	58	...	...	...	...
365	247	Rathbone Brs	274	-2	...	3.4	14.4
25	21½	Rutland Tst	24	...	...	4.5	12.2
367½	281½	S & U	338	+1	...	3.9	11.0
114	82	Singer & Fried	88	...	...	4.3	11.3
1260	788	Sothebys	800	...	...	3.4	35.8
188	131	STP Capital	155	...	...	2.4	9.6
224	174½	Towry Law	176	...	...	3.3	17.3

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2015½	1628½	Amer Express	1793½	+56½	...	...	...
154	131	Brewin Dolphin	151 †	...	...	4.8	11.2
229	157	Gartmore	178½	...	...	2.8	20.6
1208	945	Henderson Ad	928	+3	...	5.9	14.7
251½	152	Invesco	189	...	...	2.3	31.0
317	214½	Jardine Strat	253½	+5½	...	3.2	10.4
323	247	MAI	283	+1	...	3.0	15.4
117½	95½	MAI 5¼% Cv Pf	106½	+½	...	...	...
770	538	MAM	628	-2	...	4.5	14.6
1243	794	M & G	1008	+1	...	3.5	21.1
496	342	Smith New Crt	398 †	+2	...	3.1	3.6
65	25	Trio Hldgs	27	+½	...	6.9	12.3

FOODS

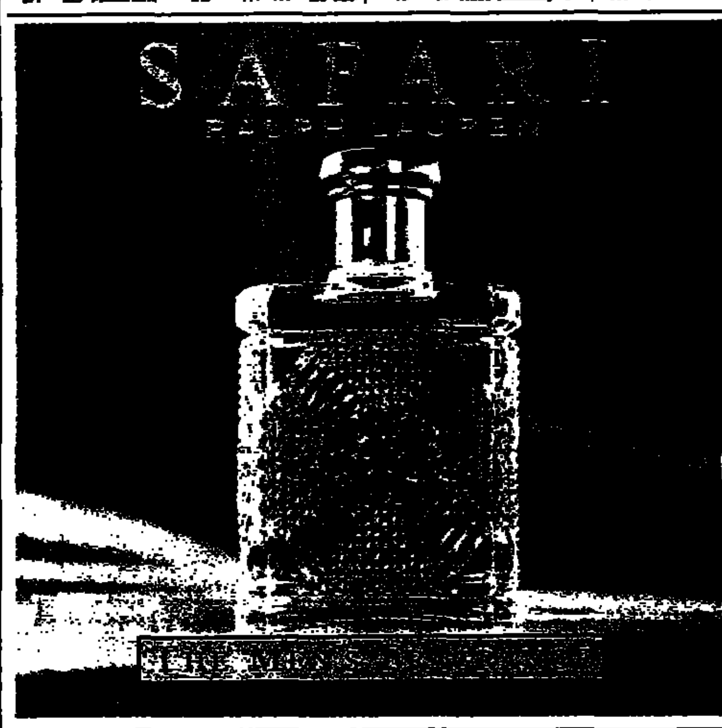
1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
607	499	AB Food	588 †	+2	...	3.2	11.5
66	50½	ASDA Group	63 †	+1½	...	3.5	13.3
368	265	Acatos & Hutch	305	...	...	3.5	12.2
74	44	Albert Fisher	51	...	...	9.2	11.3
308½	222½	Argyll	272 †	-2	...	5.3	11.9
270	220	Banks (S C)	265	...	...	4.7	∞
358	305	Barr (AG)	357	...	...	2.4	23.0
72	56	Bensons Crsp	58	...	...	6.1	19.2
481	378	Booker	441	...	...	6.2	15.7
56½	48	Borthwick	53½	...	...	3.0	22.9
505	424	Brake Bros	424	-2	...	2.0	15.7
43	24	Budgen	29 †	+¼	...	4.3	∞
178	156	CPL Aromas	175	...	...	2.1	16.7
545	407	Cadbury-Schw	468	+1	...	3.8	15.9
232	143	Carrs Milling	187	+2	...	3.0	∞
167	130	Cranswick	158	...	...	6.5	13.2
17	11½	Cullens	13½	...	...	...	...
154	90	Dalepak	117 †	-1	...	1.6	∞
543	389	Dalgety	451	-5	...	5.7	13.2
87	50	Daniels S	57	...	...	0.7	...
294	219	Devro	251	+3	...	3.1	16.9
101	60	Everest	65	...	...	7.1	12.4
394	348	Farepak	350 †	...	...	2.4	∞
8½	6	Farringford	6	...	...	...	...
85	68	Finlay (James)	76	...	...	6.8	14.2
105	87	Fyffes	102	...	...	1.7	17.5
371	193	Geest	231	...	8.1	4.4	...
20½	14	Global	16	...	...	3.9	14.6
68	38	Grand Central	39	...	...	...	...
194	119	Hazlewood Fds	132½	-2	...	6.3	8.1
196½	151	Hillsdown	180	...	...	6.1	14.4
28	16	Hobson	22½	...	...	...	...
211	133	Iceland Group	152	...	...	3.1	9.7
111	93	JLI Group	98 †	...	...	6.1	13.8
656	523	Kwik Save	607	...	...	3.8	10.6
362	138	Low (Wm)	362	...	...	2.9	12.0
124	85	Matthews (B)	124	...	...	2.5	19.8
18	10½	Merchant Retail	11½	...	...	2.2	...
141	99	Morrison (W)	135	...	...	0.9	15.8
246	205	Nichols (JN)	234	+1	...	3.2	15.5
271½	197	Nthn Foods	231 †	+2	...	4.8	11.3
14	9	Nrthmbn Fn	12	...	...	...	...
232	180	Nurdin Peack	190	...	...	4.3	10.5
131	89½	Park Foods	124 †	+1	...	2.4	∞
81	62	Perkins Food	77	...	...	7.2	12.9
141	109	PizzaExpress	128	+4	...	0.5	27.1
5½	2½	Regina Hlth	2½	...	...	...	...
480	342	Sainsbury J	422½	+2½	...	3.1	14.9
96	73	Senory Farms	76	+1	...	3.7	7.7
122	71	Sims Food	88 †	-½	...	10.7	∞
467½	392	Tate & Lyle	450	+1	...	3.7	11.2
254	209½	Tesco	242½	-1	...	4.0	12.6
198	162	Thorntons	183	...	...	2.6	...
238	145	Treats	217	-1	...	2.4	17.6
434½	346	Unigate	390	-2	...	5.5	11.0
388	302	Utd Biscuits	338	-1	...	5.7	14.3
21	9	Usborne	9	...	...	4.6	6.6
422	279	Watson & Phil	356	...	...	5.1	14.4
49	34	West Trust	38	...	...	8.8	25.0

HOTELS, CATERERS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
34	26	Abrdn Stk Fl	34	...	...	...	...
94	76	Cty Centre Rest	78	+1	...	2.9	17.3
285	209½	Forte	239	+2½	...	3.9	37.2
207	169	Friendly Hotels	185 †	+1	...	3.9	32.2
168½	142½	Jurys Hotel	143	+½	...	4.9	∞
217½	153	Ladbroke	169½	-1½	...	4.4	24.9
109½	78½	Mandarin Orntl	95½	+½	...	3.8	22.1
31	18½	Ryan Hotels E	26½	...	...	4.9	15.1
1135	790	Savoy Hotel 'A'	953	-5	...	0.5	...
92	60½	Stakis	88½	...	...	1.7	31.9

INDUSTRIALS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
66	36	AAF Inds	44	...	...	...	...
544	413	AAH	414 †	-2	...	5.4	14.7
185	119	AIM	136 †	...	...	4.1	36.3
138	108	APV	113	...	...	6.0	...
220	157	ASW	212	...	...	3.5	...
202	158	Adwest	182	...	...	5.0	19.6
20½	14	Aerospace Eng	17	...	...	5.5	...
312	223	Airsprung	231	+3	...	2.6	∞
230	192	Alendra W	220	...	...	3.2	23.4
11½	5½	Allied Radio	6½	...	...	...	...
330	283	Alumasc	320	...	...	2.4	17.8
73	39	Alvis	56 †	...	...	2.2	38.9
780	705	Amber Ind	760	+5	...	3.3	15.8
85½	43½	Amberley Gp	57 ‡	...	...	2.2	∞
81	43	Anagen	49	...	...	...	...
95	47	Andrews Sykes	47	...	...	...	...
363	199½	Antofagasta	310	...	...	1.4	25.1
62	48	Armour	59½	...	...	4.1	11.8
175	168	Ash & Lacy	168	...	...	4.8	20.3
6	3½	Ass Br Eng	4½	...	...	1.5	54.9
639	474	Avon Rubber	620	...	...	3.3	26.9
297½	249	Assoc Nursg	251 ‡	...	...	1.0	∞
553	490	Atlas Equip	533	...	...	5.2	18.5
96	66	Ayrshire Metal	96 †	...	1.5	2.0	...
236	180	BBA	206½	-½	...	4.5	...
163	115	BLP Group	155	...	...	0.8	42.5
45½	34½	BM Gp	42	...	...	...	...
767	627	BOC	732	+7	...	4.0	30.9
86½	60½	BSG	71	...	...	5.6	44.4
578	495	BSS Group	546	...	...	4.7	22.8
401	344	BTR	374	-3	...	4.1	19.4
176	138	BWI	151	...	...	5.5	19.1
40½	26½	Babcock	34	...	...	...	...
11	6½	Bailey (CH)	7½	...	...	...	...
220	216	Baird (Wm)	234	...	...	4.8	18.6
569½	368½	Barlow	465½	-3½	...	0.7	...
81	64	Baynes (Charles)	80	+1	...	2.6	21.9
25½	17	Bearing Power	19	...	...	4.9	12.1
95	23	Beauford	28	...	...	...	...
35	28	Bedford (W)	31	...	...	...	...
18½	12	Benson Group	14½	...	...	2.6	11.0
393	243	Bespak	274 †	+4	...	4.7	∞
91	49	Bibby (J)	52	...	...	4.8	...
226	145	Billam (J)	145	...	...	4.6	9.0
38	26	Bilston Burses	38	+1	...	...	...
10	7½	Bimec Ind	6½ #	...	...	...	...
283	243	Birkby	279 †	...	...	2.7	∞
44	30	Black Arrow	43	...	...	7.9	∞
283	233	Black (Peter)	282	...	3.8	1.7	22.1
220	135½	Bluebird Toys	210	+2	...	2.4	8.9
329	282	Bodycote	306	...	...	2.1	21.7
40	31	Bogod 'A'	33 †	+½	...	2.7	∞
69	43	Booth Inds	67	...	...	...	...
25½	17	Boustead	27 †	...	...	...	...
524	409	Bowater	460	-1	...	3.7	∞
1809½	1378½	Bowater Inc	1709½	-34½	...	3.4	17.3
297	252	Boxmore Intl	274	...	...	1.8	17.5
20	15	Brasway	16½	...	...	4.0	∞
354	283	Brammer	354	+2	...	4.6	23.0
31	18	Bridgend Gp	18	...	...	1.4	∞
168	120	Bridon	168	...	...	3.0	...
95	74	Bridport-Gndry	94	...	...	3.0	...
57½	44½	Brierley Inv	49½	...	...	8.7	9.5
235	190	Br Bldg & Eng	190	...	...	5.3	16.0
124	83	Br Bloodstock	83	...	...	...	74.5
515	425	Br Polythene	450	...	...	3.2	15.8
164½	121½	Br Steel	160 †	-½	...	1.6	59.3
176	93	Br Thornton	93 †	...	...	8.1	∞
309	233	Br Vita	268	...	...	3.5	22.5
180½	136½	Britton Grp	152 ‡	...	...	2.1	22.4
952	773½	Broken Hill	937	+9	...	2.1	40.1
125	36½	Bromsgrve Ind	96 †	...	...	5.9	12.2
18½	9½	Brooke Tool	13½	...	...	...	...
71	46	Brown & Tawse	51	...	...	...	...
186	135	Bullough	165 †	...	...	4.6	27.1
16	8	Business Tech	9½	...	...	...	...
22	14	CI Group	15	...	...	4.2	61.2
54	31	Campbll & Arm	34	...	...	...	...
39	26	Cannon St	33½	...	...	...	12.8
488	403	Camab Pharms	403	...	...	...	...
278	254	Cape	262	...	...	5.2	16.6
455	278	Caradon	298	+2	...	3.7	22.4
215½	139½	-do- pf	146½	+1	7.2	6.2	...
293	251	Carclo Eng	252 †	...	...	4.5	16.5
10	6	Care UK	6	...	...	...	...
2445½	1890½	Carnaud Md	2112½	+6½	...	2.3	16.1
104	80	Cassidy Bros	86 †	...	...	4.0	11.0
155	110	Castings	155	-4	...	2.1	∞
66	37½	Cathay Intl	34	...	...	...	...
233	191	Celtest	205	...	...	...	...
230	155	Chamberlin Hill	155	...	...	5.2	9.8
779½	636½	Charter	733	-9	...	3.8	20.8
360	273	Chemring	296	...	...	3.9	15.6
62	46	Chelsfield Gp	56 †	...	...	7.8	11.2
246	152	Christies Int	182	-1	...	1.4	32.2
82	60	Claywthe	66 †	...	...	5.0	∞
688	403	Cohen (A)	510	...	3.4	0.8	...
297	232	Community H	240	+3	...	3.8	13.7
263	204	Concentric	204	...	...	3.6	16.9
312	240	Cook (Wm)	279 †	+3	...	3.4	13.4
285	225	Cookson	263	...	...	3.0	28.4
110	81	Copyprint	105	...	...	4.8	14.9
157	146	Coral Plc 'A'	148	...	...	4.8	20.0
157	109	Cosalt	143 †	...	...	5.5	...
285	215	Creighton Nat	218 †	...	...	4.4	∞
44	31	Crestacare	34	...	...	2.8	...
2062½	1815½	Dana	1787½	+37½	...	...	...
388	325	Danka Bs Sys	321	-9	...	0.6	22.4
296	220	David Brown	243	...	...	3.3	17.1
1022	826	De La Rue	929 †	-4	...	2.7	19.8
195	133	Derby Group	154	...	...	2.5	15.0
52	36½	Drake Fleet	37	...	...	4.7	9.7
628	460½	Diploma	480	...	...	3.3	19.2
97	70	Dobson Park	82	...	...	5.7	16.2
134	102	Dyson (J&J)	110 †	...	5.0	5.7	20.2
97	78	-do- 'A'	88 ‡	...	...	5.8	∞
16	13	EFG	13½	-½	0.1	0.9	8.8
442	364	EIS	382	...	...	4.0	15.3
25	15	Elbief	19	...	...	...	...
53	41	Eleco	42	...	...	...	...
3956½	2300	Electrolux 'B'	3121½	-50	...	1.7	54.3
91	69	Elliott (B)	85	...	...	1.5	13.0
447½	321	Eng China Cl	383	...	...	5.3	22.3
146	96	Environmed	103	...	...	0.2	...
3662½	2737½	Ericsson 'B'	3221½	-65½	...	1.2	28.5
86	56	Eurocopy	62 †	+2½	...	3.6	18.3
113	60	Expamet	113	...	...	3.8	...
392	334½	Fairey Group	389	...	...	1.9	20.6
145	109	Fenner	138	...	...	0.4	...
110	82	Ferraris Group	88	...	...	3.0	13.0
45	39	Ferrum	39	-1	...	...	...
78	50	Fife Indmar	55	...	...	6.2	8.1
157	113	Fisons	146	...	...	3.7	...
60	37	Fitzwilton	40 ‡	...	...	11.3	...
298	263	Flogas	298	...	...	2.8	∞
51	38	Folkes Group nv	42	...	1.5	4.5	...
126	94	French (Thomas)	95 †	...	...	4.8	18.8
264	220	Frost Group	241	+7	...	2.5	25.5
88	77	GEI Int	84	...	...	2.2	23.6
660	510½	GKN	640	+1	...	4.1	37.0
79	49	GR Hldgs	55	...	...	4.1	...
134	91	Garton Eng	109	+1	...	5.2	29.5
191	136	Gestetner	145 ‡	...	...	2.1	...
66	49	Glevez	62	...	...	2.0	39.8
725	520	Glaxo	630	+7	...	4.8	15.0
46	35½	Glenchewton	37	...	...	...	...
404	334	Glynwed	363	-2	...	4.1	21.0
209	125	Goode Durrant	197 †	...	...	3.8	15.5
185	143	Grampian Hd	148	+1	...	4.6	57.1
598	487	Granada	513 †	-8	...	2.2	20.3
765	452	Great Univ	765	...	...	2.3	25.2
85	71	Green (Ernest)	71	...	...	12.3	13.0
15½	11½	Greenacre	11½	...	...	3.5	16.1
85	61	Haden MacLn	83	-1	...	3.0	21.2
122	90	Hadleigh	116 †	+½	...	2.2	∞
76	59	Halkin Hldgs	64	...	...	...	50.0
330	149	Hall Eng	179	...	...	6.6	10.2
256	204	Halma	218 †	+½	...	1.4	25.6
72	47	Hampson Ind	71 †	...	...	3.5	∞
302	233½	Hanson	264½	-½	...	5.7	23.7
161	122	Harris (Philip)	156	...	...	3.5	19.3
220	152	Harvisn Cresfd	192	+1	...	6.0	21.4
180	121	Havelock Euro	180	...	...	1.4	21.4
48	30	Hay (Norman)	33	...	...	...	...
50	33	Headway	36	...	...	2.4	...
511	307	Hepworth	337	-1	...	5.5	17.5
205	154	Hewitt (J)	155	-2	...	2.6	...
75	52	High-Point	54	...	0.5	1.2	...
184½	148	Hill & Smith	154 †	...	...	4.7	16.7
191	111	Holders Tech	119 †	...	...	6.3	12.9
63	39	Hopkinsons	60	...	...	2.7	...
216	176	Hornby	189	...	...	6.0	17.3
103	78	Howden	99	...	...	3.1	∞
280	234	Hozelock	273	+1	...	2.7	19.4
265	188	Hunting	188	...	...	6.6	37.2
513	402	Huntleigh Tec	428	...	...	1.3	24.7
379	288	IMI	338	...	...	3.7	28.7
138	110	ISA Intl	132	...	...	1.6	17.7
165	50	Intercare Gp	51 †	...	...	8.6	5.4
325	284	Isotron	293	...	4.4	1.9	16.5
710	409½	Jardine Math	533½	+5½	...	2.7	12.5
628	488	Johnson Matth	567	-3	...	2.5	22.0
51	37	Johnson & FB	44	...	...	1.0	...
289	149	Johnston	288	...	...	0.9	...
32	25	Jones Shipman	29	...	...	...	...
36	27½	Jourdan (T)	30	+2	...	4.2	29.8
191½	148½	Kalon	163½	...	...	3.2	16.5
301	230	Kelsey Ind	285	...	...	3.5	...
855	730	Kershaw (A)	845 †	-5	...	4.1	38.9
276	197	Kleeneze	210	...	...	0.6	46.8
444	341	Laird	415	-13	...	3.2	19.5
170	145	Lilleshall	158 †	+1½	...	3.7	17.2
229	205	Lincat	210	...	...	3.7	14.8
400	313	Linton Park	400	...	...	4.7	∞
14	6½	Lionheart	7	...	...	5.4	15.9
20½	15	Locker (T) A	15½	...	...	1.6	∞
152½	74	Lon Intl	96 †	+1	...	...	...
175½	124½	Lonrho	134½	...	...	3.7	36.9
436	364	Low & Bonar	428	+1	...	3.0	17.0
49	41	ML Hldgs	45½	...	...	2.3	15.8
67	49	MS Intl	49 †	...	...	6.4	29.8
70	45	MY Holdings	59	...	...	3.2	14.3
271	223	Macfarlane	245	...	...	2.0	22.3



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539	431	McKechnie	490	+3	...	3.8	23.5
127	100	McLeod Russel	118	+2	...	6.5	18.4
104	70	Magnolia	73	...	...	0.2	...
163	129	Mang Bronze	147	+5	...	3.0	16.6
26	18½	Marling	26	+½	...	3.2	45.8
231	166	Mayborn	167	...	...	4.3	11.7
64	53	Mayflower	62	...	...	2.7	25.2
187	120	Medeva	133	...	...	2.5	11.6
120	77½	Meggitt	84	...	...	5.8	12.5
120	101	Metair	105	...	...	4.3	17.4
128	99	Metrotect	101	...	...	4.3	∞
133	99	Metsec	131	...	...	1.9	18.2
124	83	Midstates	91	+1	...	1.0	12.7
589	548	Molins	567	...	...	3.4	11.4
408	326	Morgan Crble	361	+1	...	4.4	18.2
217	176	Morris Ashby	208 †	...	...	3.6	∞
51	34	Neepsend	34 †	-½	...	4.6	15.9
80	42	Nestor-BNA	43	...	...	9.2	9.7
274	214	Nobo Gp	242 †	...	...	3.1	∞
212½	120	Norcros	122	...	...	7.2	21.0
35	29½	Novo Group	29½	...	...	4.7	9.5
64	48	OMI Intl	54½	...	...	4.0	∞
175	160	PCT	165	...	7.2	5.5	∞
91	66	Pacer Systems	83	...	...	5.8	27.4
46	31	Pascoes	41	...	...	...	...
123	84	Pentland	98	...	...	3.6	21.3
310	220	Photo-Me	255	...	4.7	2.3	15.3
208	162	Pilkington	193 †	...	...	2.6	...
53	38	Plant & Gen	50	...	1.5	1.8	∞
148	82	Plantsbrook	143	-5	...	3.0	16.9
185	129	Polypipe	144	+1	...	1.9	18.4
36	16	Porter Chadbrn	36	...	...	...	...
341	218	Powerscreen	294	...	...	3.1	13.1
23½	16½	Prospect Inds	18½	...	...	5.5	10.0
77	56	RPS Group	60	...	...	5.0	12.4
108	82	Radiant Metal	85	...	...	...	...
174	129	Ramco Egy	163	+2	...	0.4	...
447½	359½	Rank Org	400 †	+4	...	3.9	25.7
54	13	Ransomes	53	...	...	...	...
725	551	Reckitt Colm	635	+4	...	3.5	15.9
95	70	Record	89	...	...	5.1	20.0
5½	3½	Reece	3½	...	...	...	...
291	211	Relyon	235	+1	...	2.9	42.5
308	268	Renishaw	291	...	...	2.8	36.6
180	126	Renold	177	-½	...	1.8	∞
539½	424	Reuters	485 †	-5	...	1.8	24.3
90	74	Rexmore	85	...	...	3.7	∞
194	138	Ricardo Group	159	...	...	4.6	18.6
73	55	Richard (Leics)	55	...	...	5.1	39.4
104½	82½	Richardson West	87	...	...	4.6	17.6
164	118½	Ropner	139	...	...	6.7	14.0
24	15	Rots Gp	19½	...	...	3.2	...
195	157	Rotork	171	...	...	3.3	17.2
190	137	Rubicon	140	...	...	4.2	∞
91	62	Russell (A)	88	...	...	2.5	31.3
42	34½	SEP Indl	39½	...	...	2.8	18.6
1459½	1087½	SKF 'B'	1143½	-62½	...	...	...
272	196	Scapa	258 †	...	...	3.4	18.6
210	164	Scholl	170	...	...	4.7	13.8
291	242	Scotia	267	+1	...	...	...
1353	1146	Securicor	1290 †	-3	...	0.3	33.4
1036	785	-do- 'A'	898 †	...	...	0.4	22.2
892	606	Security Serv	712 †	-1	...	1.0	22.5
190½	89½	Senior Eng	137½	...	...	3.1	22.3
350	291	Seton Health	350	+2	...	2.3	17.8
180	138	Shiloh	148	...	...	3.0	9.8
358	266	Sidlaw	277	-3	...	4.9	13.5
630	517	Siebe	590 †	-13	...	2.3	19.0
378	194	Silentnight	206	...	...	4.9	11.8
184	137	Sime Darby	179	-4	...	2.7	19.8
130½	75	Simon Eng	113	-1	...	...	...
244	186	Sinclair (Wm)	193	...	...	4.5	15.6
70	35	Six Hundred	68	...	...	2.8	...
159½	136½	Smith & Neph	156	+2	...	4.1	17.1
443	357½	Smithkline	429 †	+1	...	3.2	16.7
407	322	Smithklne Utd	380 †	...	...	3.6	14.8
527½	429	Smiths Ind	470	...	...	3.2	19.2
104	41	Soho Bus	47	...	...	9.9	4.5
243	159½	Spandica	235	...	...	1.2	22.0
1130	432	Spear (JW)	1130	...	...	2.1	19.2
437	337	Spirax Sarco	419	+2	...	3.0	20.4
81½	45	Spring Ram	47½	-½	...	1.3	...
267	197	Staveley	225	...	...	4.7	65.8
243	197	Sterling Ind	238	+1	...	3.3	21.4
220	180	Suter	198 ‡	...	...	5.8	17.5
604	440½	Swire Pacfc 'A'	504½	+14½	...	1.9	∞
77	48	Sykes-Pick	75	...	...	4.4	38.3
178	140	Sytone	158 †	...	...	3.9	17.5
455	351	TI	380 †	-3	...	3.8	21.0
44	31	TLS Range	40	...	...	1.6	44.3
389	330	TT Group	363	+3	...	2.3	∞
292	192	Takare	227	+2	2.0	1.1	19.7
852½	656	Takeda Chem	784	...	...	0.8	14.4
102	92	Tinsley (E)	102 †	...	...	6.9	∞
220	200	Titon	200	-3	...	2.7	17.0
283	213	Tomkins	234½	-½	...	3.9	19.1
124	74½	Trafalgar H	93	-1	...	1.3	...
105	63	Transfer Tech	73	+1	...	8.7	7.8
163	130	Triplex Lloyd	148 †	-1½	...	5.9	∞
318	262	UniChem	305	+1	...	2.7	17.1
440	245	Unidare	265	...	...	4.0	14.4
54	33	Unigroup	44	...	...	...	...
1247	958	Unilever	1107	+10	25.0	2.8	15.9
8118½	6496½	Unilever (NV)	7293½	+34½	...	3.0	14.5
18½	12	Utd Inds	16	+½	...	...	...
1093	816	VSEL	894	...	...	4.7	8.4
31½	14½	Vernon	18½	...	...	...	...
204	166	Vickers	194	...	...	1.9	24.3
327	254	Victaulic	274	...	...	3.6	15.1
522	461	Vinten	488	...	...	2.0	15.9
805	661	Vosper Thorny	740 †	...	...	3.0	16.0
65	37	WSP Hldgs	61	...	...	3.7	44.9
527	451	Wagon Ind	513 †	+½	...	4.3	∞
200	60	Wakebourne	82	...	...	...	...
114	97	Walker Greenbk	103	...	3.3	4.0	∞
314½	246½	Wassall	302	...	...	1.4	26.9
62	44	Watford Wdged	60	+1	...	1.6	46.7
365	254	Weir	315	...	...	2.6	18.2
704	498	Wellcome	692 †	+13	...	3.1	14.7
220	203	Wellington Hdg	203	...	...	3.2	19.6
39½	38	Wellman	39 ‡	...	...	2.9	63.7
400	294	West Hlancarn	349	+8	...	1.6	∞
548	455	Whatman	480	...	...	2.7	17.0
264	108	Whessoe	138	...	...	7.4	10.5
124	93	Whitecroft	123 †	...	...	2.1	19.1
13½	10	Widney	10½	...	...	...	...
414½	329	Williams Hldg	370	...	...	4.3	19.9
54½	39½	Wilshaw	54	...	...	1.4	22.0
975	705	Wolseley	817	+1	...	2.2	19.8
155	155	Wood (Arthur)	155	...	...	2.4	31.7
67	40	Wyko	65	+12	...	1.0	∞
96	70	Young (H)	80	+8	...	5.2	...

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1403½	937½	Alex & Alex	1287½	+25	...	5.2	...
2043½	1693½	Am Gen	1862½	+25	...	4.0	...
86	50½	Archer	52 †	...	...	2.4	...
165	89	Bradstock	96 †	...	...	7.2	11.0
530	370	Britannic	416	-2	...	3.8	...
117	90	CLM Insce	93 †	...	1.4	1.9	...
711	488	Com Union	544 †	-7½	...	4.7	15.5
1950	1663	Dom & Gen	1663	...	...	1.8	22.0
64	33	FAI	41	+2	...	1.2	...
194	144	Fenchurch Grp	154	...	...	5.8	13.8
757	533	Gen Accident	557	-4	...	6.4	8.8
247	161	GRE	180	+1	...	5.3	2.4
457	288	Heath C E	297	-1	...	6.7	...
323	239	Independent Ins	257	-10	...	4.0	7.3
203	128½	JIB Group	147	...	...	6.4	13.4
547	407	Legal & Gen	454	+2	...	5.5	15.2
1390½	975	Liberty Life	1362½	+3½	...	7.8	5.1
119	93	LIMIT	94 †	...	...	1.3	∞
471	322	Lloyds Abbey	361 †	...	...	6.4	10.9
310	166	Lloyd Thomp	169	...	7.1	5.3	10.5
178	159	Lombard Ins	178	+5	...	5.4	10.3
443	313	Londn & Man	323	+1	...	6.1	16.1
472	380	Lowndes Lmb	389 †	...	...	4.8	12.3
5803½	5337½	Marsh McLn	5537½	+12½	...	3.4	...
188	147	Nelson Hurst	154	...	...	4.5	15.4
129½	109	Orion	112 ‡	...	...	5.6	∞
83	38	PWS	43	+3	...	8.7	...
385	271	Prudential	309	-1	...	5.3	14.7
404	261	Refuge	284	...	...	5.0	20.9
350	232½	Royal	279	...	...	4.1	12.5
222	157	Sedgwick	169	-4	...	4.6	19.0
155	105	Steel Burrill	116	...	...	9.7	...
87	54	Stunge Hldgs	60 †	...	...	6.2	72.2
418	285	Sun Alliance	315	-2	...	5.8	14.4
96	51	Trade Indemnty	59	...	...	1.9	13.0
464	343	Transatlantic	377	-1	...	4.0	33.6
673	468	Utd Friendly	540	...	...	3.8	27.7
245	133	Willis Corroon	154	+1	...	5.4	13.6
28	20½	Windsor	20½	...	...	...	16.1

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2058	1700	Alliance	1860	...	...	3.2	...
479	401	Anglo & Oseas	435 †	...	...	2.1	...
161	123	BZW Conv	148	+1	7.8	6.7	...
219	173	Bankers	192 †	+1	...	2.4	...
381	311	Baring Tribne	341 †	+2	...	2.4	...
248	198	Berry Starq	220	...	2.2	1.2	∞
120½	91½	Br Assets	99	+1	...	5.4	...
98	89	Br Empire Sec	94	...	...	1.2	...
46	31	-do- Wnts	40½	+½	...	...	...
234	188	Br Inv	210	...	...	2.9	...
272	221	Brunner	245 †	...	...	2.7	...
223	194	Cntnl Asset	204	+1½	...	1.8	...
173	147	Derby Inc	165 †	...	...	11.9	...
328	268	-do- Cap	315	...	...	...	...
100	73	Drayton Blue	82	...	...	12.8	...
111	84	-do- Eng Ind	97	...	...	1.0	...
156	128	-do- Far East	151	+1	...	0.6	...
784	613	Dunedin Inc G	670	...	...	4.9	...
108	85	-do- Japan	99½	...	...	...	...
80	45	-do- Warrants	57	...	...	...	...
341	292	Dunedin Smlr	314	...	...	3.6	...
827	725	-do- Wwde	789	+1	...	1.5	...
360	283	Edinburgh	316	+1	...	3.5	...
354	286	Electra Inv	328	+1	...	2.7	...
220	185	Electric Gen	200 †	+1	...	2.0	∞
127	106	English Scot	118	...	...	...	...
345	286	European Asset	322 †	+1	...	1.8	...
172	146	Finsbury 'A'	153	...	3.0	2.5	...
343	276½	Fleming Amer	305 †	+1	...	0.4	...
145	75½	Fleming Chinese	90	+½	...	...	...
92	42	-do- Warrants	51	...	...	...	...
267	196	-do- Claver	217 †	+2	...	1.2	...
385	305	-do- Cntl	348	+1½	...	0.8	...
264	190	-do- Entp	210	+1	...	2.9	∞
459	327	-do- F East	365	...	1.3	0.5	...
422	359½	-do- Fledg	375 †	+1	...	1.0	...
120	89	-do- Hi Inc	101	+1	...	5.4	...
281½	223	-do- Japan	276	+1	...	0.2	...
347	269½	-do- Merc	293 †	+1½	...	2.9	...
343½	280½	-do- Oseas	308	+1	4.2	1.7	...
159½	126½	Foreign & Col	143½	+½	...	1.6	...
148	109½	-do- Emg Mkts	128	...	0.2	0.3	...
77	64½	-do- Enterprise	71	+1	...	1.1	...
261	216	-do- Eurotst	242	...	...	0.6	...
145	116	-do- German	133	...	...	0.5	...
374	307	-do- Pacific	337	...	...	0.8	...
192	159½	-do- Smaller	179	...	...	1.4	∞
303	247	GT Japan	272	+2	...	0.6	...
200	150	Genl Cons Cap	185	+2	...	...	...
113½	105	-do- Inc	110 †	...	...	9.9	...
191	139	Govett Am Smlr	186	...	...	...	...
151	101	-do- Emg Mkts	125 †	+1½	...	0.2	∞
96½	80	-do- Global Smlr	84	...	...	...	...
112	83	-do- High Inc	91	...	...	7.0	...
429	349	-do- Oriental	396	+3	...	0.3	...
346	239	Govett Strategic	260	...	...	3.2	...
473	410	Greenfriar	417 †	...	...	2.0	...
19	19	Gresham House	19	...	...	...	...
105	86	Herald	96	...	...	...	...
99	82	Int Biotech	86	...	...	...	...
50	30	-do- Warrants	45	...	...	...	...
158	122	Inv Cap	134½	+2	...	4.8	...
119	94	IRS UK Smlr	109	...	...	3.2	...
177	126	INVESCO Korea	146	...	...	...	...
243	196½	Kleinwort Chr	217 †	+2	...	3.0	...
89½	73½	-do- Euro Pvt	79½	...	...	...	...
49	23½	-do- Euro Wnts	30½	...	...	...	...
272½	232½	-do- O'seas	248	+½	...	1.7	...
165	134	-do- Smlr	137	...	...	3.2	...
826	672	Law Debenture	745 †	+3½	...	3.3	...
227	190	Majedie	208	...	...	3.0	...
324	237	Merchants	274 †	+1	...	5.1	...
89	79½	Mercury Euro Pv	86½	...	...	...	...
43	28½	-do- Warrants	32	...	...	...	...
125	98	-do-World Mng	108	...	...	...	...
52½	35	-do- World Wts	38	...	...	...	...
2987½	2250	Merrill Lynch	2337½	+37½	...	...	...
595	492	Monks Inv Tst	548	+1	...	1.6	...
158	127	Morg Gren Inc	141	...	...	4.0	...
64	43	-do- Warrants	52	+1	...	...	...
97½	87	-do- Latin Amer	97½	+½	...	...	...
50½	39	-do- Warrants	50½	+½	...	...	...
148	114	Murray Ent	124 ‡	+1	...	2.0	...
58	34	-do- Warrants	37	...	...	...	...
68	54	Murray Euro	60½	...	...	0.6	...
27½	16	-do- Wts	17	...	...	...	...
393	317	Murray Income	356	+4	11.3	4.0	...
395	319	-do- Intl	350 †	-½	...	4.1	...
548	424	-do- Small	480 †	...	...	1.1	∞
97	82	-do- S/C Inc	89 †	...	...	14.9	...
174	135	-do- S/C Cap	148	+1	...	...	...
3400	2975	-do- S/C Uts	3050 †	-100	...	4.3	...
162	153	-do- S/C DP	162	...	...	...	...
363	324	-do- Vent.	331	...	...	4.2	...
95	81	Nthrop Inc	62	...	...	9.6	...
406	333	O'seas Inv Tst	371	+2	...	1.0	...
241	179	-do- Warrants	208	+3	...	...	...
640½	433	Pacific Assets	518	+6	...	0.3	...
542	335	-do- Warrants	416	+3	...	...	...
9400	7900	Personal Assets	8050	...	195	3.1	∞
189	164½	RIT Cap Ptnr	181	-1	...	1.0	...
127	113	River & Merc	113 †	+½	...	10.2	...
469	413	Robeco	425	...	...	3.0	...
463	415	Rolinco	427	...	...	1.8	...
343	290	St Andrew Inv	318 †	+7½	...	3.1	...
183	150½	Scot American	167	-1	...	3.6	...
268	238	Scot Asian	278	+2	...	...	...
1070	663	-do- Warrants	763	-7	...	...	...
97½	77	-do- Eastern	86	...	...	2.3	...
262½	209½	Scottish	226	...	...	2.7	∞
264½	205	-do- Mtge	238	+2	...	2.2	...
135½	111½	-do- Value	117	...	...	2.1	...
1705	1520	Second Allnce	1648	...	...	3.0	...
106	77½	Secs Tst of Scot	87	-½	...	4.7	...
179	148	Selective Asset	159	...	...	1.1	...
51½	41	Sphere Inv	46 †	...	...	9.2	...
208	149	TR Far East	165 †	+1½	...	3.9	...
177½	139½	TR City Of Lon	150 †	...	...	4.0	...
124½	86	TR Pacific	112	+2	...	...	...
47½	34	TR Property	39½	...	...	3.3	...
152	113	TR Tech Inv	129 †	...	...	1.7	...
228	182	TR Smlr Cos	207 †	+½	...	2.3	∞
412	310	Temple Bar	357 †	+½	...	4.8	...
135	102	Thrntn Asian	112	...	...	0.6	...
101	72½	Throgmorton	81 †	...	...	3.5	...
568	466	Thrmg Dual Cp	548	...	...	...	...
269	233	USDC Invest	255	+1	...	2.2	...
129	109½	Value Inc Tst	120½	...	...	4.1	...
257½	205	Witan	253 †	+1	...	3.1	...

LEISURE

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
578½	417	Airtours	458	...	...	2.5	15.9
46½	19	Aid Leis	24	...	...	15.6	7.8
177	155	Alpha Airpt	168	+1	...	3.1	∞
131	85	Baldwin	115	...	...	3.8	15.1
333	267	Barr & W 'A'	282	...	...	4.4	12.4
340	231	Boosey Hwks	340	...	...	1.8	20.5
205	133	Border TV	189 †	+1	...	2.6	∞
7½	3½	Brent Walker	3½	...	...	...	...
148	100	Bristo Scotts	130	...	...	...	...
7½	2½	Buckingham Int	2½	...	...	...	...
74	41	Campari	44	...	...	...	...
439	328	Capital Radio	385	+1	...	2.0	33.9
1047	520	Carlton Comm	881 †	-5	...	2.8	19.5
366	248	Castle Comm	335	...	...	3.2	22.4
208	114	Chrysalis	208	+17	3.2	2.0	...
374	305	Compass Gp	335	...	...	2.5	19.9
290	232	Eurocamp	273 †	+2	9.9	4.5	11.3
213	118	Euro Disney	128	...	...	...	...
4	2½	Euro Leisure	3½	...	...	...	...
435	308	Fairline Boats	412	+2	...	3.6	28.7
350	262	First Leisure	286½	...	...	2.9	18.9
478	309	Flextech	400	...	...	...	...
1033	675	GWR Gp	915 †	...	...	1.4	33.1
303	228	Grampian	286	+1	...	3.3	15.3
22	15	Greenwich Comm	16	...	...	...	...
162	106	HTV Group	157	...	...	0.8	43.3
96	62	Hi-Tec Sports	75	...	...	4.6	11.0
18½	11½	Kunick	13½	...	...	...	...
702	539	Man Utd	664	...	...	3.8	26.9
15	13½	My Kinda Town	13½	-½	...	...	...
57	34	Northern	52	...	...	2.4	10.0
130	81	Owners Abrd	109	+5	...	4.1	...
92½	65½	The Pelican Gp	91 †	...	...	1.5	∞
183	146	Prism Leisure	146 †	...	...	3.6	∞
43	28	Quadrant Grp	28	...	...	...	...
278	205	Ramsdens (H)	275 †	-3	...	2.0	41.4
628	395	Scott Radio	615	...	...	2.1	24.0
574	355	Scot TV	416	+2	...	3.7	∞
40½	24	SelecTV	26	-½	...	...	...
350	296½	Stanley Leisure	333 †	...	...	2.0	...
153	125	Sunset & Vine	129	...	3.5	3.4	19.7
349½	280	Taujong	288	...	...	1.1	...
2½	1½	Tickstarge	1½	...	...	...	14.7
110	73	Tottenham Hot	109	...	...	2.3	41.7
182	85	Trans World	178	...	...	0.9	64.9
760	518	Ulster TV	595	+4	...	3.2	22.3
150	120	VCI	148	...	...	4.6	13.2
149	112	Vardon	124	...	...	1.1	22.0
375	150	Yorkshire TV	334	+16	...	...	...
129	110	Zetters Gp	126 †	+1½	...	8.4	∞

MINING

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
3675	2509½	Ang Am	3581½	-6½	...	2.0	33.4
2687½	1762½	Ang Am Coal	2687½	...	...	3.4	14.6
6518½	4593½	Ang Am Gold	6371½	+34½	...	3.8	18.6
36	27	Anglo Pac Res	29	...	...	...	...
1512½	1262½	Ashanti	1293½	-3½	...	...	...
404	275	Bakyrchik	288	...	...	...	...
184	90½	Blyvoors	151	-4	...	...	...
37	22½	Bracken	22½	...	...	4.0	62.7
898	580½	Buffels	694 †	-18½	...	8.8	∞
6	2½	Butte	2½	...	...	...	...
934½	745½	CRA	920	+8	...	2.4	28.4
55½	36	Cluff Res	49	...	...	...	...
104	28½	Coal Inv	104	...	...	...	...
1750	1460	De Beers	1642½	-10½	...	3.4	17.4
148	88	Deelkraal	94	+½	...	3.8	∞
74	30½	Doornfontein	61½	-3	...	...	...
969½	665½	Driefontein	940½	-13½	...	4.6	∞
928	549½	Durban	680½	-22½	...	...	...
178½	107	E Rand Gold	151	-9½	...	12.0	5.6
122½	59½	E Rand Prop	71 †	+½	...	...	...
449	305½	Elandsrand	421½	+1½	...	3.9	9.6
1239	741½	FS Cons	926 †	-13½	...	4.8	9.6
62	27	FS Dev	52	...	...	...	...
1800	1193½	GFSA	1795½	-25	...	2.3	39.5
178½	108½	Gencor	175	+½	...	3.5	28.5
80½	53½	GM Kalgoorli	57½	...	...	2.5	21.1
22	14	Greenwich R 'A'	18½	...	...	...	...
202	105½	Grootvlei	159½	-6	...	5.8	∞
416	319½	Harmony	372½	-5½	...	...	...
430	269½	Hartebst	314½	-5½	...	9.2	∞
1446½	831½	Impala Plat	1409½	-6½	...	1.8	50.3
16½	9½	Kenmare Res	11½	...	...	...	...
1315½	890½	Kinross	946½	-12½	...	5.2	∞
898½	568½	Kloof	867½	-5½	...	3.8	∞
137	69½	Leslie	98 †	+3½	...	8.5	∞
333	178½	Loraine	265½	+½	...	...	...
1137½	887½	Lydenburg	1137½	...	...	1.9	...
182	118	MIM	143	+1	...	1.7	50.5
1581	1227	Minorco	1562½	-6½	...	2.4	18.7
201½	146½	Nth Brkn Hill	167	-3	...	3.2	24.3
899	790	RTZ	871	...	...	2.9	24.8
375	187½	Rand Mines	375	...	...	2.8	14.2
801½	547½	Randfontein	676½	-10½	...	4.8	∞
295	207	Renison	220	+2	...	...	...
1531½	1078½	Rustnbrg	1443½	+3½	...	2.1	∞
736	539½	St Helena	644½	-14½	...	4.3	∞
2887½	1464½	Southvaal	1775 †	-12½	...	4.9	20.2
139½	73	Stilfontein	118½	+1½	...	22.9	∞
160	90	Unisel	128½	-2½	...	3.5	∞
7600	4943½	Vaal Reefs	5573 †	-112½	...	4.8	9.0
934½	508½	Western Areas	899½	-1½	...	8.0	∞
3362½	2050	Western Deep	2721½	-25	...	3.9	9.3
398	300½	Wstrn Mining	347 †	+8	...	1.5	...
1225	605½	Winkels	687½	+3½	...	5.3	∞
66	50	Zambia Copper	57	...	...	...	...
68	48	Zandpan	53	...	...	9.5	∞

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
283	233	Abbey Panels	283	...	...	...	...
124	108	Airflow Strems	124	+9	3.0	3.0	18.7
175	130	Appleyard	130	...	...	5.3	22.9
405	310	Bletchley Mtr	310	...	...	4.0	12.5
243	180	Bostrom	238	...	...	3.1	22.6
584	390	Br Aerospace	490	...	...	2.1	43.0
57	42	Burndene	42 †	...	...	6.0	12.2
465	280	Caffyns	318	...	...	4.5	21.4
22	13½	Cavendale	17½	...	...	1.1	17.5
130	98	Central Mtrs	101	...	...	4.4	24.9
51	33½	Cook (DC)	43	...	...	3.0	∞
348	249	Cowie	252 †	-8	...	4.1	12.3
192½	127	Dag Motors	155	...	...	5.0	17.8
158	113	Dwnport Vern	156	...	...	2.6	15.5
332	275	ERF	300 †	...	...	0.8	...
234	220	Eurodollar	225	...	...	4.8	17.4
173	118	European Mtr	123 ‡	-2	...	4.3	12.9
539½	399	Evans Halshaw	441	...	...	3.7	18.6
310	235	FR Group	298	...	...	3.2	16.3
2359½	1805½	Ford Motor	1912½	...	...	...	...
4387½	3175	General Mtr	3237½	...	...	1.6	...
90	60	Gowrings	75	...	...	3.3	...
342½	269½	Henlys	292	-1	...	3.2	20.1
1239	918½	Honda Motor	1096	-14½	...	0.4	...
55	35	Jacks (Wm)	53	-3	...	...	18.4
184	149	Kwik-Fit	149	...	...	3.2	17.1
573	407	Lex Service	407 †	-3	...	4.1	15.6
282	162	Lookers	238 †	...	...	3.6	14.8
239	158	Lucas	205	+1	...	4.3	...
29½	25	Malaya Grp	25	-½	...	1.5	...
310	258	Pendragon	257	...	...	3.5	18.3
228	173	Perry Gp	200	-1	...	4.4	11.0
218	156	Quicks Group	175	...	...	3.6	18.4
204	161	Rolls-Royce	198½	...	...	3.1	35.0
261	203	T & N	252	...	...	5.4	28.8
327	263	Trinity Hldgs	327	+1	...	2.4	23.7
221	163	Vardy (Reg)	191 †	...	...	3.0	∞

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
355	198	Adscene	297	...	5.7	2.4	30.4
335	320	Black (A&C)	325	...	...	5.2	13.8
402	228	Blenheim Gp	243	-5	...	5.3	9.1
413	365	Bristol	373	...	...	4.1	25.6
1650	1100	Daily Mail	1325	...	...	1.4	31.0
1484½	868½	Daily Mail 'A'	1000	...	...	1.9	21.4
314	260	Dorling Kind	314	...	...	1.3	28.4
6712½	5381½	Elsevier	6362½	+66½	...	3.1	20.3
476	366½	EMAP	420	-6	...	2.6	25.7
1975	1450	Euromoney Pb	1852	+5	...	2.7	32.6
194	42	Harrington K	42	...	...	14.2	2.8
515	328	Haynes Pub	440	...	...	2.0	24.8
408	340	Hodder H'line	353	...	...	1.8	57.5
180	130	Home Counts	147	...	...	3.8	36.0
218	161	Intl Bus Comm	208	...	...	1.2	13.8
15	8	Int Cm & Data	9½	+½	...	...	...
340	273½	Independent	308	...	...	3.1	10.5
669	551	Johnston Press	584	...	7.0	1.5	21.5
110	43	MAID	61	...	...	...	...
492	338	Metal Bulletin	402	...	...	2.8	28.3
177½	152	Midland Ind	161	...	...	2.2	22.0
203	125	Mirror Gp	130	...	...	...	5.1
514½	360½	News Corp	422	+5	...	0.3	...
314	234	News Intl	239	...	...	0.7	14.7
735	570	Pearson	623	-6	...	2.6	22.3
760	670	Portsmth Sund	686	...	...	1.9	∞
964	734	Reed Int	865	...	...	3.0	24.2
249	187	Southnews	224	...	...	1.6	20.4
200	143	Sterling Pubs	149	-1	...	3.1	12.5
622	325	Telegraph	330	+5	...	4.6	12.8
885	695	Thomson Corp	715	...	30.1	3.3	35.4
472	394	Trinity Intl	408	+2	...	3.0	19.9
45	18½	Unit Group	37	+1	...	...	...
731	479	Utd Nwspapers	506	+1	...	5.4	13.9

OILS, GAS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
38½	24½	Aran Energy	36	-1	...	...	21.8
53	35	Arcon Intl	46½	...	...	...	...
79½	59	Ass Oil & Gas	72½	...	...	...	...
67	45	Aviva Pet	49	-2	...	...	...
9	6	Beradin	6½ #	...	...	...	66.6
249	197	Br Borneo	219	...	...	4.1	11.3
338	233	British Gas	285	-3	...	6.4	...
430	340	Br Petroleum	412 †	-2	...	2.8	41.8
3½	1½	Bula Resources	3½ #	...	...	...	...
895	811	Burmah Castrl	876	-3	...	3.9	18.4
84	56	Cairn Energy	[illegible]	...	...	...	44.1
375	261	Calor Gp	281	-9	...	5.6	14.4
51	33	Clyde Pet	47½	[illegible]			
30	14½	Copley	[illegible]				
27½	17	Edin Oil & Gas	21	...	...	...	22.2
486	379	Enterprise	[illegible]	...	...	4.0	25.5
26½	21	Fahnestock Intl	[illegible]	...	...	[illegible]	9.3
9½	4½	Fortune	[illegible]				
77	54	Goal Pet	[illegible]				
46	31	Gt Western Res	[illegible]				
177	142	Hardy O&G	[illegible]				
55	40	Kelt Energy	[illegible]				
169	110½	LASMO	[illegible]				
33	25	-do- [illegible]	[illegible]				
9½	2	Mid Sea Pet	[illegible]				
75	58	Monument	69½	...	...	...	56.9
7½	4½	New London	4½	...	...	...	...
50	36	Oil Search	48	+2	...	...	...
50½	17½	Petrax	37½	...	...	...	...
168	153	Pict Pet	162	...	...	...	...
111	100	Pittencrieff Rs	110	...	...	...	...
32½	21½	Premier	29½	...	...	...	16.0
158	118	Presidio	128	...	...	3.2	...
463	325	Ranger	410	-5	...	3.1	...
7700	6651½	Royal Dtch Pl	7184½	+42½	...	4.4	18.7
4094½	3481½	Schlumberger	3703½	+18½	...	2.1	...
58	50	Seafield	56	...	...	...	...
755	651	Shell	726	+4	...	4.1	21.9
187	128	Sunrise Eng Sv	128	...	...	...	...
19	9½	Villers Grp	11	...	...	...	...
232	178½	Woodside	229	-1	...	1.7	...
110	28	XCL	74	-5	...	...	...

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1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
184	145	AG Holdings	147	...	...	4.5	13.3
444	377	API	377	...	...	2.9	23.7
316	237	Arjo Wiggins	280	-2	...	2.9	43.0
730	540	Abbot Mead	683	-1	...	1.9	36.4
31	17½	Aegis Gp	30½	...	...	...	...
205	145	Aspen Comm	170	...	4.9	3.6	∞
26	18	BBB Design	20	...	...	...	...
472	413	Bemrose	446	-2	...	3.5	14.9
13½	7½	Birkdale	8	+½	...	...	...
186	139	Bunzl	166	-1	...	3.1	22.3
169	117½	CIA Gp	146	...	...	1.5	23.5
179	129	Capital Inds	167	...	...	...	12.9
36	33	Chime Comm	33	...	...	...	...
99	76	City of Lon	95	...	...	5.8	14.5
439	304	Cropper (Jms)	329 †	-1	...	1.3	16.5
114	80	Delyn Group	80	...	...	2.6	14.5
137	104	Dolphin Pack	120	...	...	4.7	15.4
83	71	Dudley Jenkins	71 †	+1½	...	5.7	15.7
17	12	Elswick	17	...	...	2.4	18.7
101	75	Fairway Group	89	+1	...	4.9	17.9
430	355	Ferguson Intl	355	...	...	4.4	15.1
145	128	Ferry Pick	120	...	...	5.5	...
227	188	Flexibx	202	...	...	1.1	19.9
17½	8	Finch	13	...	...	...	...
149	132	Gibbon Lyons	134 †	...	...	5.1	∞
275	171	Gold Greenlees	180	...	...	3.7	∞
34	23	Goodhead	28	...	...	0.2	∞
25	16	Hunterprint	19	...	...	...	...
162	128	Interurope	132	...	...	7.4	11.9
281½	248	Jarvis Porter	277	...	...	2.3	19.9
33½	22	Lopex	31	...	...	1.0	35.0
431	344	Mnre O'Ferrall	354	...	...	4.7	20.4
416	230	Osborne & Little	414	...	...	2.6	15.1
60	32	Osprey Comms	40	...	...	0.2	...
820	513	Portals	667	-1	...	3.0	19.5
3	1½	Premier Hlth	2	...	...	...	...
330	260	Quarto	260	...	...	2.9	14.2
412	322	St Ives Gp	365	...	...	2.0	25.6
178	127	Saatchi	172	...	...	...	34.8
812½	464½	Sappi	783	-1	...	13.3	4.7
30½	18	Serif	25	-½	...	...	...
57	20½	Shandwick	46½	...	...	1.2	7.0
573	398	Smith David	560 †	+1	...	2.4	∞
414	286	Smurfit (Jeff)	398	+3	...	1.3	56.7
119	94	Somic	94	...	...	3.3	∞
254	210	Stat-Plus	217	...	...	5.1	20.6
34	25½	Taylor Nelson	34	...	...	1.7	28.4
161	128½	VTR	133	...	...	3.8	21.1
36½	25	WMGO	25½	-½	...	2.5	∞
129	67½	WPP	116	-1	...	1.1	∞
264	182	Waco	245	+4	...	1.8	23.8
291	209	Waddington (J)	209 ‡	...	...	5.1	10.2
511	403	Watmough	423	...	...	2.0	26.8
44	29	Whinney Mack	30	...	...	...	...
132	98	Wyndeham	127 †	...	...	2.2	18.4

PROPERTY

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
130	99	Allied Lon	113	-2	...	4.0	15.2
48	36	Arcadian	40	...	...	...	...
268	253	Argent	268	...	...	...	...
10½	4	Ascot Hldgs	4½	...	...	...	...
144	109	Asda	119	...	...	2.3	21.1
197	113	Avonside	135	...	...	3.9	15.8
2575	2096½	BCE	2171½	+3½	...	...	...
382½	258	Bilton	258	...	...	4.7	18.8
108	72	Bourne End	93	...	...	1.3	...
276	200	Bradford	234	+1	...	3.5	16.5
22½	10	Bredero	10	...	...	...	7.3
474	360	Br Land	413 †	-6	...	2.3	39.9
137	123	Brightstone	123	...	...	3.8	27.9
276	179	Brixton	204	...	...	4.9	17.8
118	90½	Burford	105	...	...	1.7	33.8
207½	125½	Cap & Regnl	157	...	...	1.2	61.9
239	191	Cap Shop Ctrs	219	-2	...	3.7	52.7
325	230	Cardiff Prop	308 †	-10	...	1.0	68.9
185	152	Chelsfield	172	...	...	1.7	42.4
678	534	Chesterfield	534	...	...	2.8	24.0
84	36	City Site Ests	69	...	...	...	...
12½	8	Clarke Nickolls	9	...	...	...	18.8
330	285	Compco	310	...	...	5.5	∞
58	32	Conrad Ritblat CS	40	...	...	...	...
1735	1458	Daejan	1510 †	-3	...	2.4	17.6
25½	5	Dares Estates	11½	...	...	...	...
156	103	Debenham Tewn	110 †	...	...	3.8	18.8
17	6	De Morgan	8	+1	...	...	...
189	161	Dencora	169	...	...	2.4	47.5
347½	263	Derwent Hldgs	285	...	...	2.1	23.7
41	22½	Development Sec	22½	...	...	...	...
51	45	Dwyer	47	...	...	...	...
460	275	Estates Agency	415 †	...	...	3.2	50.1
47	18	Estates Gen	26½	...	...	...	...
141	100	Evans Of Leeds	119 †	...	...	2.7	20.8
43½	27	Ex-Lands	31	...	...	1.4	...
80	68	Fiscal Prop	69	...	...	...	...
37	24	Five Oaks	26½	...	...	0.9	...
78	64	Fletcher King	64 †	...	...	2.9	∞
536	407	Frogmore	443	...	...	4.6	19.5
325	228	Grainger	276	-1	...	2.4	49.3
260	174	Gr Portland	200	+1	...	5.0	38.1
22½	12½	Greycoat	15 †	...	...	...	...
269	149	HK Land	173	+1½	...	0.5	∞
94	43	Hamltn Cnqw	56	...	...	1.7	56.9
435	329	Hammerson	341	-3	...	3.7	34.2
380	288	Helical Bar	366	-1	...	2.0	14.6
40½	29½	Hemingway	32½	...	...	1.8	...
78	37	Herring Baker	52	...	...	3.6	...
315	138	Jermyn	177	...	...	...	34.5
782	586	Land Sec	680	-10	...	4.6	18.5
122	80	Lon Merch Sec	95 †	...	...	5.5	14.0
16	9	Lon & Metro	10	...	...	...	0.5
582	409	MEPC	451	-7	...	5.5	25.9
13½	6½	McInerney A	6½	...	...	...	...
190	164	McKay Secs	185 †	...	...	3.5	∞
81	59	Marlvale Mre	75	...	...	...	...
35	21	Moorfield Est	30	+3	...	4.3	...
1425	1200	Mountview	1225	...	...	2.3	13.2
196	154	Mucklow (A&J)	164	...	...	4.7	23.8
59	32	OHM	33	+1	...	...	...
64	37½	Olives Prop	39	...	...	...	14.6
2½	1	ORB	1	...	...	...	...
191	148	PSIT	162 †	...	...	3.6	22.9
300	284	Peel	286	...	...	2.1	∞
12½	4½	Power Corp	9½	+½	...	...	...
54	32½	Raglan	32½	...	...	...	11.9
40	27	Regalian	27½	-½	...	...	10.4
180	140	Rowlinson Secs	175	...	...	1.3	11.1
134	115	Rugby Est	115	...	...	2.4	...
64	45	St Modwen Prp	51 †	...	...	2.9	12.7
78	59	Saville Gdn (J)	63	...	...	5.5	∞
100	78	Savills	81 †	...	...	3.5	∞
108	82	Scot Met	86 †	...	...	2.3	...
135	108	Shaftesbury	108	...	...	...	...
17½	8	Shield	8½	...	...	...	...
307	221	Slough Estates	256	-2	...	4.0	42.0
103	63	Southend Prop	66 †	...	...	4.5	∞
50	23	Stanhope Prps	26	...	...	...	...
39	34	TBI	39	...	...	...	2.1
244	182	Tops Ests	192 †	...	...	1.4	45.8
163	119	Town Centre	119	...	...	3.7	21.3
107	97	Trafford Park	95	...	...	3.9	21.4
58	28	UK Land	41	...	...	...	...
317	231	Warner	242	...	...	3.9	22.9
260	218	Warnford	231	...	...	4.3	18.7
7½	1½	Waterglade	3½	-½	...	...	...
103½	67	Wates	71	...	...	...	...
105	70	Wood John D	80 †	...	...	3.1	∞

SHOES, LEATHER

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
45	31	Automagic	41	...	...	...	...
202½	148	Lambert	148	...	...	6.3	6.5
75	53	Pittards	70	...	...	1.8	...
26	19	Strong & Fisher	19	...	...	6.6	13.0
250	227	Stylo	237 †	...	...	2.1	22.8
69	50½	UK Safety	52	...	...	6.3	10.9

TEXTILES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
617	488	Allied Text	488 †	-½	...	3.4	15.0
71	54	Beckman (A)	54	...	...	8.3	11.6
39½	16	Bolton Gp	17 †	...	...	...	...
17½	5½	Brackenridge	9½	...	...	...	...
226	171	Br Mohair	186	...	...	5.7	23.3
385	282	Claremont Ga	320	...	...	3.2	16.9
593	451	Courtauld Text	494	...	...	3.6	19.8
159½	119	Dawson	153 ‡	+1	...	2.5	...
42	31	Drummond	32	...	...	...	14.2
80	72	Faupel	74 †	...	...	8.3	12.5
29	24	Foster (John)	25	...	...	...	...
168	113	Gaskell	140	...	...	3.8	...
33	25½	Helene Plc	28 ‡	...	...	9.0	11.5
250	222	Hicking Pntcst	249	-1	...	2.3	17.6
73	55	Jerome (S)	62	...	...	1.0	31.4
485	388	Lamont	394	...	...	4.0	15.1
340	265	Leeds	283	+1	...	2.6	14.4
101	68	Lyles (S)	82	...	...	4.2	...
266	190	Parkland	197	...	...	3.2	11.7
112	80	Readicut	83½	...	...	5.1	14.3
70	47	SEET	47	-1	...	...	...
146	100	Sirdar	108	...	...	6.3	7.5
64	50	Stirling Gp	62	...	...	3.9	∞
46	34	Stoddard	36	...	...	5.6	11.6
330	253	Tomkinsons	253	...	...	5.7	23.8
49	34	West Trust	38	...	...	8.8	25.0
280	239	Yorklyde	275	...	...	2.7	13.3

TOBACCOS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
570	372	BAT	423 †	-5	...	6.1	11.1
489	337	Rothmans	374 †	+4	...	4.4	19.9

TRANSPORT

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
313½	228	Assoc Br Ports	282	-2	...	2.1	26.9
541½	440	BAA	503 ‡	+6	...	2.2	23.4
218	109½	Badgerline	117	...	...	4.4	...
496½	367	Br Airways	419	-5	...	3.3	13.1
108	75	Clarkson (H)	85	...	...	2.6	21.4
592½	259	Eurotunnel Uts	295	+4	...	...	...
87	55	Fisher (James)	78	...	...	...	...
155	126½	IOM Steam	145	...	...	3.8	11.1
63	39	Jacobs (JI)	60	...	...	4.9	...
111	92	Lon O'Seas Frs	93	+1	...	5.2	2.1
524	380	Mersey Docks	424	...	...	2.6	21.9
338	285	Natl Express	327	...	...	2.9	20.3
281	179	NFC	211 †	+2	...	4.2	32.4
348	286	Ocean Group	280	+2	...	6.1	13.8
91	58	Ocean Wilson	70	...	...	3.7	9.0
767	597	P & O Dfd	680	-5	...	5.5	24.6
189	153	P & O 5 1/2%	189	+1	...	3.6	...
705	549	Powell Duffryn	587	-4	...	5.0	17.7
102	84	Seacon	86	-1	...	3.4	19.3
206	158	Stagecoach	198	+3	...	2.6	∞
120	89½	TNT	124	...	...	...	...
915	803	Tibbet & Britn	803	...	14.2	2.1	23.3
79	27	Tiphook	38	+5	...	...	...
327	217	TDG	226	+7	...	5.3	15.0
132	98	Ugland	121 †	...	...	0.8	∞
160	95	Utd Carriers	101	...	...	...	...

WATER

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
607	442	Anglian Water	540 †	+2½	...	5.5	14.0
365	283	Mid Kent Hldgs	296	...	...	4.9	10.0
751	508	Northumbrian	653 †	+5	...	4.7	7.0
641	454	North West	532 †	+1	...	5.4	7.9
645	457	Severn Trent	538 †	-9	...	5.3	7.5
682	466	Sthrn Water	572 †	...	...	5.0	8.3
1623	1525	Sth Staffs	1603	+10	...	3.9	17.1
695	491	South West	516 †	...	...	6.2	7.5
611	434½	Thames Water	501 †	-6½	...	5.6	8.6
746	540	Welsh Water	643 †	-3	...	4.9	7.4
759½	551	Wessex Water	680 †	-3	...	4.7	8.4
680	438	Yorkshire W	530 †	-6½	...	5.4	8.0

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BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS (under 5 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
103	100	Treas 9% 1994	100		8.92	5.50
107	102	Treas 12% 1995	102	...	11.69	5.78
98	97	Gas 3% 1990-95	98	..	3.05	5.37
107	103	Exch 10¼% 1995	103	...	9.91	6.47
113	107	Treas 12¾% 1995	107	..	11.92	6.82
117	109	Treas 14% 1996	109	...	12.80	7.01
121	112	Treas 15¼% 1996	112	.	13.54	7.28
117	109	Exch 13¼% 1996	109	...	12.09	7.32
112	104	Conv 10% 1996	104	-1/32	9.55	7.67
121	111	Treas 13¼% 1997	111	-⅛	11.85	7.82
114	105	Exch 10½% 1997	105	-1/16	9.93	7.92
110	101	Treas 8¾% 1997	101	-1/16	8.60	8.11
131	118	Exch 15% 1997	118	-1/16	12.63	8.22
114	104	Exch 9¾% 1998	104	-1/16	9.37	8.35
106	96	Treas 7¼% 1998	96	-⅛	7.50	8.34
102	94	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	95	-1/16	7.11	8.34
131	116	Treas 14% 1998-01	117	-1/16	11.95	8.58
140	124	Treas 15½% 1998	124	-1/16	12.48	8.41
125	111	Exch 12% 1998	111	...	10.73	8.58
116	103	Treas 9½% 1999	103	-1/16	9.19	8.56

MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
101	89	Treas 6% 1999	90 †	..	6.65	8.43
128	113	Exch 12¼% 1999	113	-1/16	10.82	8.66
121	106	Treas 10½% 1999	107	...	9.81	8.66
121	105	Conv 10¼% 1999	106	...	9.65	8.74
116	101	Conv 9% 2000	101 †	-1/16	8.87	8.08
138	118	Treas 13% 2000	118	..	10.94	8.86
106	90	Treas 7% 2001	91	...	7.68	8.69
122	104	Treas 10% 2001	105 †	-1/16	9.47	8.86
123	103	Treas 9¾% 2002	104 †	...	9.30	8.89
113	94	Treas 8% 2003	95	-1/16	8.40	8.76
127	105	Treas 10% 2003	106	-⅛	9.35	8.86
129	110	Treas 11½% 2001-04	111	-⅛	10.28	9.08
86	71	Fund 3½% 1999-04	72	+⅛	4.83	7.50
105	85	Treas 6¾% 2004	87	-1/16	7.74	8.63
129	103	Conv 9½% 2004	104	-1/16	9.10	8.81
125	103	Conv 9½% 2005	104	-⅛	9.06	8.77
143	119	Treas 12½% 2003-05	120	-⅛	10.36	9.12
111	93	Treas 8% 2002-06	94	+1/32	8.50	8.79
112	91	Treas 7¾% 2006	92	-1/16	8.35	8.71
136	113	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	114	-1/32	10.22	9.14
119	96	Treas 8½% 2007	98	-1/16	8.65	8.70
151	125	Treas 13½% 2004-08	127	+1/16	10.58	9.11
124	101	Treas 9% 2008	102	-⅛	8.78	8.66

LONGS (over 15 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
115	93	Treas 8% 2009	94	-1/16	8.48	8.66
126	101	Conv 9% 2011	103	-1/16	8.74	8.84
127	101	Treas 9% 2012	103	-1/16	8.71	8.62
93	72	Treas 5½% 2008-12	73 †	...	7.53	8.37
114	91	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	92	-1/16	8.41	8.54
117	92	Treas 8% 2013	94	-⅛	8.47	8.57
159	127	Exch 12% 2013-17	129	-⅛	9.26	8.77
128	99	Treas 8¾% 2017	101	-1/16	8.58	8.54

UNDATED

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
54	39	War Ln 3½%	40	+1/16	8.58	...
37	27	Treas 2½%	28	+1/16	8.79	...

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1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
201	197	Treas IL 2% 1996	199 †	-1/16	2.89	4.05
113	106	Treas IL 4⅝% 1998	107	-1/16	2.99	3.66
176	163	Treas IL 2½% 2001	165	+1/16	3.45	3.83
173	159	Treas IL 2½% 2003	161	+⅛	3.54	3.85
118	107	Treas IL 4⅜% 2004	108	+⅛	3.94	3.83
184	165	Treas IL 2% 2006	167	+⅛	3.59	3.82
168	149	Treas IL 2½% 2009	152	+⅛	3.64	3.84
175	154	Treas IL 2½% 2011	157 †	-1/16	3.62	3.85
146	126	Treas IL 2½% 2013	129 †	+⅛	3.69	3.86
157	134	Treas IL 2½% 2016	137	+⅛	3.71	3.87
152	128	Treas IL 2½% 2020	132	+⅛	3.75	3.88
129	106	Treas IL 2½% 2024	110	+⅛	3.73	3.85
128	105	Treas IL 4⅛% 2030	109	+⅛	3.76	3.89

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Grofund Euro	201.10	212.30*	-2.20	0.21
Grofund Expt Bal	115.70	119.90*	+0.20	2.01
Grofund Gilt	70.80	72.99*	-0.12	5.80
Grofund Japan	197.20	208.10	-1.10	...

AXA EQUITY & LAW UNIT TST MGRS
Equity & Law Hse, Corpn St, Coventry 0203 553 231

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
General Acc	530.30	564.20	+6.00	2.66
General Inc	473.90	504.20	+5.40	2.66
UK Growth Acc	357.60	380.50	-4.10	2.75
UK Growth Inc	248.30	264.20	+2.90	2.75
Higher Inc Acc	663.30	705.70	+7.00	3.75
Higher Inc Inc	391.70	416.80	+4.20	3.75
Gilts/Fxd Int Acc	177.20	187.10	...	6.14
Gilts/Fxd Int Inc	88.40	93.38	-0.02	6.14
Nth America	244.40	260.00	+3.10	...
Far East	376.30	400.40	-0.50	...
Europe	272.40	289.80	-1.60	0.77
Brit Excell	70.98	75.51	+0.76	2.94
Brit Fndmtls Acc	98.51	104.80	+1.10	4.66
Brit Fndmtls Inc	73.94	78.67	+0.81	4.66
Global Opps	84.69	90.10	+0.39	0.11
Balanced Acc	53.67	57.10*	+0.46	2.37
Balanced Inc	52.92	56.30*	+0.44	2.37

ABBEY UNIT TST MGRS
80 Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth 0345 717 373

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
High Income				
Gilts & Fixed Int	126.00	133.70	+0.40	5.98
High Inc Equity	161.30	172.50*	+0.90	4.56
Worldwide Bond	264.40	280.30*	+0.80	3.75
Capital Growth				
American Growth	286.70	306.00	+1.50	.75
Asian Pacific	341.40	363.20	-0.60	...
Assets & Earnings	263.00	279.80	+1.80	2.39
Comdty & Energy	119.00	126.60	-0.50	.36
Euro Capital Inc	131.20	140.90	+0.20	.69
General	221.60	235.70*	-1.60	2.31
Japan	138.40	147.20	-0.20	...
Mastertrust	142.60	152.50	+0.10	1.22
UK Growth Dist	129.60	138.60	+0.40	2.16
US Emerging Cos	123.90	132.50	+0.80	...
Income & Growth	383.60	408.10	+2.90	3.06
Ethical	70.63	75.14	+0.14	2.53
International	119.20	126.80	+0.10	.52
Dividend & Growth	60.86	64.74*	+0.49	4.34
Global Gwth & Sec	65.59	69.93	+0.01	2.45

ABERFORTH UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD
14 Melville St, Edinburgh EH3 7NS 031 220 0733

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK Small Cos	£17.02	£17.74	...	...

ABTRUST UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD
10 Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ 0800 833 580

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Aberdeen Portfolio	61.11	62.36*	+0.35	0.79
Amer Inc & Growth	43.12	45.51	-0.36	0.68
Cash	50.35	50.35	+0.01	4.47
European	109.90	116.70	+0.40	...
European Income	99.30	103.70	-0.10	1.43
Exempt	£10.02	£10.68*	+0.10	1.73
Extra Income	52.18	55.82	+0.35	4.26
Far East Emg Ecn	118.20	127.30*	+0.70	0.49
Fixed Interest	22.59	24.11	-0.04	7.61
Fund Inv Tst	181.10	193.30	+0.40	0.87
Japan	200.90	213.90*	-1.30	...
Latin American	74.38	79.41*	+0.16	0.61
Pacific	75.00	80.32	+0.28	0.33
Property Share	68.40	73.02*	+0.03	1.80
UK Emerging Cos	64.83	69.21*	-0.14	1.79
UK Growth	44.53	48.10	-0.38	2.43
World Growth	74.31	79.32	+0.44	0.68
Ethical	62.34	66.54	+0.21	2.63
Aberdeen Gilt Inc	49.08	49.08	+0.04	6.64

ACUMA FUND MANAGERS LTD
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex 0277 690 336

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK Equity Income	97.00	103.19*	+0.82	3.07
UK Equity Growth	87.00	92.55	+0.71	2.24
European	70.40	74.89	+0.66	0.89
Nth American	67.77	72.10	+0.48	1.40
Far Eastern	76.80	81.70	+0.14	0.64
Money	66.26	66.26*	+0.01	3.68
Fixed Interest	68.54	72.92*	+0.11	6.66
Index Linked Gilt	63.85	67.93*	+0.50	1.38

AEGON UNIT TRUSTS LTD
28 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 1YF 031 549 3232

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
British Growth	69.64	74.08*	+0.50	2.72
British Income	80.21	85.33*	+0.61	3.44
Select Portfolio	88.37	94.01*	-0.38	...

ALLCHURCHES INV MGMT SVS LTD
101 King's Road Brentwood CM14 4DR 0452 305 958

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Amity Income	75.51	80.12	+0.29	2.04
Income Builder Inc	67.85	72.18	+0.52	2.83

ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TSTS PLC
Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon SN1 1EL
IFA dlg: 0793 610 366 Client dlg: 0793 514 514

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Balanced Trusts				
Growth & Income	233.30	249.30	-0.20	3.29
Capital	412.20	440.60	-0.70	1.76
Balanced	683.90	731.00	-0.40	2.72
Accumulator	£12.37	£13.22	+2.00	2.97
Income Trusts				
American Income	47.84	51.14*	+0.25	3.60
High Income	401.10	428.70	-0.10	3.60
Equity Income	224.20	239.60*	-0.30	3.57
High Yield	244.60	261.40	-0.30	3.59
Govt Securities	32.15	33.93	-0.03	5.36
International Trusts				
Amer Spec Sits	135.90	145.20	+0.80	0.41
European Growth	35.84	38.26*	+0.21	0.08
International	167.30	178.70	-0.70	0.22
Japan	240.20	256.20	-0.20	0.01
Pacific	431.80	461.50	+1.10	0.02
Secs of America	402.10	427.60	-1.70	0.44
Wwide Asset Val	50.37	53.84*	+0.18	0.19
Specialist Trusts				
Asset Value	517.60	553.30	-0.40	2.35
Conv & Gilt	44.38	47.44*	-0.08	4.62
Smaller Cos	169.80	181.50*	+0.20	1.25
2nd Smaller Cos	161.50	172.60	+0.10	1.18
Recovery	140.10	149.20	-0.20	1.74
Met Min & Cdty	154.70	165.30	-0.80	0.85
Oseas Earnings	352.80	372.10	+0.20	1.95
Technology	153.40	163.90	+0.90	0.01
UK Special Sits	451.30	482.40	+0.30	1.88

B & C E UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD
Manor Royal, Crawley RH10 2QP 0293 526 911

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Cnstrctn Ind Pens	96.54	100.30	...	4.45
Foundtn Persl Pens	61.16	63.54	...	4.00

BSI-THORNHILL UNIT TST MGRS LTD
28 St John's Sq, London EC1M 4AE 071 251 6767

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Capital	71.01	75.54*	+0.50	1.91
International	64.34	68.45*	...	0.13

BAILLIE GIFFORD & CO LTD
1 Rutland Court, Edinburgh EH3 8EY 031 222 4242

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
America	276.70	297.90	+1.10	...
Bond	107.90	113.50	+0.30	7.40
Brit Smlr Cos	100.60	107.00	+0.30	1.29
Conv & Gen	65.24	69.63*	+0.13	5.37
Energy	425.40	471.00	+1.90	0.22
Europe	237.30	252.70	+1.50	0.47
Euro Smlr Cos	105.50	112.60	-0.30	0.82
Income Gwth	344.60	367.30	+1.60	4.15
Japan	354.00	376.20	-0.50	...
Pacific	113.00	120.25	...	0.71
UK Smlr Cos	52.41	55.76	+0.13	0.90
Japan Fd	816.80	840.40	-1.60	...
Mngd Fd	172.70	183.70	+1.00	2.93

BANK OF IRELAND FUND MGRS LTD
36 Queen St, London EC4R 1BN 071 489 8673

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Brit & Oseas	281.00	295.80	...	1.28
Capital Gwth	114.90	121.00	...	2.21
Wwide Opps	181.00	190.50	...	0.43

BARCLAYS UNICORN LTD
11 Broadway, Stratford E15 4BJ 081 534 5544

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Balanced Trusts				
Bust Inv Fd Inc	348.50	363.00	+1.70	2.77
European Bd Inc	87.91	91.00*	-0.71	8.41
Exempt	74.17	79.40	+0.72	4.19
Financial	70.45	75.35	+0.03	2.74
500	454.40	486.00	+2.10	2.36
General	271.80	290.70	+2.60	2.63
Property	249.30	266.60	...	5.70
Trustee	178.20	190.60	+0.90	2.20
Income Trusts				
Cash Inc	100.40	100.40*	...	4.29
Extra Income	117.30	125.50	+0.50	3.98
Gilt & Fxd Int	55.94	57.81	+0.02	8.83
Income	524.00	560.40*	+3.70	4.08
Income Builder	64.64	68.77	+0.43	4.57
Intl Income	64.55	68.67	-0.04	3.47
Growth Trusts - UK				
Capital	115.10	122.80*	+1.0	2.63
Leisure	121.20	129.60	+0.30	1.25
Recovery	415.30	444.10	+2.10	2.46
Smlr Cos Inc	42.50	45.57*	+0.16	1.71
Special Sits	278.00	297.30	+0.80	1.69
Growth Trusts - Overseas				
America	123.30	130.80	+1.20	0.53
Aust Acc	256.00	272.30	-0.50	1.97
Aust Inc	159.10	169.30	-0.30	1.97
Euro Gwth Inc	150.40	159.70*	-0.40	0.64
Japan & Gen Inc	196.80	208.30	-1.10	...
Japan Spec Sits	91.19	96.60	-0.35	...
Univ Tech Inc	79.93	84.96*	+0.29	0.35
Worldwide	176.40	187.30*	+0.70	0.61

BARING FUND MANAGERS LTD
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ 081 658 9002

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American Growth	89.12	94.65	-0.58	..
Amer Smlr Cos	118.80	127.70	+2.00	..
Cash Trust	50.05	50.05	+0.01	4.10
Convertibles	56.61	60.62	-0.04	5.40
Eastern	289.50	312.00	-1.00	0.10
Equity Income	87.78	93.38*	+0.51	4.90
European Growth	295.80	313.80	+2.30	1.00
Europe	222.80	237.10	-0.60	0.60
German Growth	72.04	76.67	-1.00	0.10
Global Bond	61.37	64.73*	-0.34	5.20
Global Growth	124.80	133.30	+0.40	...
Japan Growth	225.00	240.10	-0.30	...
Japan Sunrise	202.10	215.30	-1.20	...
Korea Trust	79.75	89.32	-0.19	...
Portfolio	132.90	142.20	+0.80	1.60
UK Growth	86.48	91.99	+0.55	1.40
UK Smaller Cos	90.23	96.50	-0.14	1.50
Select Managers	74.10	79.39	+0.20	1.10

BLACKSTONE FRANKS UT MGRS LTD
26-34 Old Street, London EC1V 9HL 071 250 3300

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Intl Gwth Port Inc	79.14	84.19*	...	...
Special Oppor Inc	56.06	59.64*	...	...

BREWIN DOLPHIN UT MGRS LTD
5 Giltspur St, London EC1A 9DE 071 236 6441

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Special Sits	167.90	175.70*	+1.0	0.93
Dividend	81.73	87.41*	+1.06	4.02
Int Gth & Inc	209.10	223.60*	+1.70	2.72
UK & Gen	43.70	46.74	+0.30	1.44
Fund of Funds	65.86	70.44	-0.27	...

BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MGRS LTD
50 Bothwell Street, Glasgow G2 6HR 041 225 6620

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Balanced Growth	105.55	111.69	+0.64	1.83
Smaller Cos	105.41	111.55	-0.14	1.15
Higher Yield	43.90	46.44*	+0.28	3.61
American Gth Inc	70.58	74.68*	+0.36	...
European Growth	134.32	142.13	-0.56	0.04
Global Bond Inc	35.89	38.39	-0.01	5.40
Mngd Ptflio Inc	42.60	45.07	+0.16	1.07
Inl Spec Opps	117.20	124.02	-0.41	0.10
Pacific Grth	136.90	141.86	+0.15	...
Formerly SAS				
UK General	76.71	81.17	+0.49	2.06
Japan	70.87	74.99*	-0.23	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	91.84	93.53*	-1.72	6.89

BURRAGE UNIT TST MGMT LTD
117 Fenchurch St, London EC3M 5AL 071 480 7210

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Short Dated Gilt	61.33	64.34	-0.21	6.04

CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD
PO Box 105, Manchester M60 4AH 061 837 5060

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Environ	152.10	161.70	+0.40	1.51
UK Growth	163.70	174.30*	+1.40	2.14
UK Income	131.50	139.90	-0.60	4.23

CANADA LIFE UNIT TST MGRS LTD
High St, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 5BA 0707 651 122

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Can Gen Dist	185.10	196.23*	+1.80	2.02
-do- Income Dist	106.90	113.40	+0.70	4.41
Gilt & Fxd Int	38.16	40.47*	+0.06	6.72

CAPEL-CURE MYERS UT MGMT LTD
35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF
061 236 5685 Enq 061 236 5685 Dlg: 061 236 5962

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American & Gen	145.20	154.50	+1.20	...
European Inc	78.28	83.17*	+0.66	0.52
Smaller Cos (4-1)	80.91	86.08	+0.25	1.67
Growth	415.90	442.50	+2.90	2.16
Income & Growth	399.10	424.60*	+3.50	3.82
Japan & Gen	81.78	87.00	-0.40	...
Master Portfolio	£103.44	£107.51*	+60.00	1.89
Special Sits	94.34	100.37	-0.44	2.21
High Yield	£13.08	£13.49	+11.00	4.24

CAPITAL HOUSE UNIT TST MGRS
Capital House, Festival Square, Edinburgh
031 228 4477 Dealing: 0800 833 561

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American Gwth Tst	35.60	38.07	+0.32	0.27
Cash Income	50.31	50.31	...	4.99
European Gwth	40.47	43.13	+0.39	0.34
Income & Gwth Inc	27.46	29.36	-0.04	4.17
Intnl Gwth	31.54	33.73	+0.19	0.56
Japan Gwth	30.36	32.46	-0.04	...
Managed Tst Inc	48.54	51.91	-0.18	1.61
Oriental Opps Inc	146.70	156.60	-0.80	...
Property Shares	39.11	41.82	-2.04	0.32
Smaller Cos	30.98	33.13	+0.11	1.21
UK Growth Tst	25.73	27.51	+0.20	2.45
Royal Scottish Assurance				
Cap Hse Global Inc	72.82	77.88	+0.59	1.25
Cap Hse UK Inc	66.98	71.63	+0.65	2.41
Exempt (E)	28.40	29.21	...	2.33
Formerly Brown Shipley				
Financial	143.80	153.70	+0.40	1.60
Foundation	93.35	99.83	+0.47	2.26
German	52.34	55.97	+0.58	...
High Income	73.86	78.99	+0.33	5.71
Income	136.70	146.20	+1.10	3.20
Mngd Ptfolio Inc	101.70	108.70	...	1.07
Mngd Ptfolio Acc	194.40	207.90	...	1.07
Monthly Income	83.92	89.75	+0.44	3.94
North American	102.20	109.20	+1.80	...
Orient	156.10	166.90	-1.10	...

CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD
3 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7BH 071 606 0708

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Cazenove Portfolio	81.10	86.52	+0.19	2.36
American Portfolio	86.78	92.49	+0.45	1.06
European Portfolio	95.78	102.05	+0.40	0.82
Japanese Portfolio	74.50	79.29*	-0.25	...
Pacific Portfolio	143.36	154.16	+0.35	0.76
UK Inc & Growth	74.33	79.57	+0.19	3.51
Utility & Bond	54.15	54.77	-0.08	6.00

CENTURY UNIT TRUSTS LTD
5 Old Bailey, London EC4M 7BA 071 332 5000

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK General Tst	64.18	68.27	+0.71	2.93

CHARTERED ASSET MGMT LTD
151 Farringdon Rd, London EC1R 3AD 071 837 7667

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Intl Growth	138.36	150.16*	...	...
UK Income	109.55	119.73*	...	5.021

CITY FINANCIAL UT MGRS LTD
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Beckman Intl	75.58	80.07	...	2.00
Beck Bio-Tech	25.17	28.13	...	...
Acorn Ethical Ts	156.42	163.60	...	1.29
City Fin Assets	71.58	76.15	-1.16	1.04
City Fin America	81.90	86.21	...	...
City Fin Intl	77.81	81.91	...	0.48
City Fin Japan	183.17	192.81	...	...
Friars Hse Cap	264.0	280.07*	-0.50	1.47
Friars Hse Inc	197.02	209.60	+0.19	3.88
Buckley Wrld Grth	134.66	143.25	...	0.08
Fairmont Cap Gth	143.08	150.61	...	...
-do- Inc & Gth	110.44	116.25	...	1.55
Fairmount Intl	159.52	167.92	...	...
City Fin Ptflo Inc	57.81	61.50	...	4.0

CITY OF LONDON UNIT TST MGRS LTD
10 Eastcheap, London EC3M 1AJ 0392 412 144

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Emerging Markets	55.70	59.10*	-0.06	...

CLERICAL MEDICAL UT MGRS LTD
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH 0800 373 393

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American Gwth	52.51	56.16	+0.22	...
Atlas Mngd Gwth	37.01	39.58	...	0.28
Dragon Growth	72.20	77.22	-0.24	0.26
Equity High Inc	81.85	87.07	+0.60	3.75
European Gwth	50.25	53.46	+0.51	0.77
Evergreen	29.47	31.52	+0.06	...
General Equity	81.79	86.78	+0.65	2.44
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	23.56	24.77	+0.03	8.32
Japan Growth	57.00	60.46	-0.39	...
Pedigree Gwth	50.21	53.42	+0.38	2.42
Pcd Sm Cos Inc	31.42	33.43	+0.02	0.87
Retirement Inc	25.80	27.59	+0.23	5.50
Special Sits	37.67	40.29	+0.21	1.69
UK & Overseas	47.98	51.04	+0.16	1.01

COLONIAL MUTUAL UT MGRS LTD
Chatham Maritime, Kent ME4 4YY 0634 895 000

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Capital	64.28	68.74*	+0.67	2.36
Income	58.19	62.23*	+0.52	3.97

COMMERCIAL UNION FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INTERNATIONAL LTD
Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR0 2AQ 081 686 9818
PRESTIGE PORTFOLIO (PPT FUNDS)

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Income Funds				
Equity Inc	159.45	169.63	+1.04	5.29
Fixed & Convertible	40.45	43.03*	+0.09	6.94
Monthly Inc Plus	48.07	51.14	-0.12	8.76
Preference Share	47.73	50.78*	-0.12	7.83
Balanced Funds				
High Yield	123.50	131.38*	+0.66	6.71
Managed Fund	66.73	70.99	+0.41	2.50
UK Growth Funds				
Smaller Cos	40.51	43.10	+0.08	1.57
UK & General	77.41	82.35	+0.62	2.33
UK Growth	138.88	147.75	-1.29	2.31
International Growth Funds				
Europe Growth	193.14	205.47	+1.42	0.24
Far Eastern Grth	139.04	147.91	+0.17	...
Global Bond	78.83	83.80	+0.18	6.25
Japan Growth	134.93	143.54	-0.33	...
North Amer Grth	153.92	163.74	+1.59	...
Oriental Growth	79.54	84.62	+0.15	...
Worldwide Growth	64.67	68.80	+0.26	0.07
OTHER CU TRUSTS (NON PPT FUNDS)				
Deposit Fund	92.62	92.62	+0.03	4.43
Homemaker Fund	76.34	81.21	+0.58	1.86
Quilter Fund	129.06	137.30*	+0.91	2.49

CONFEDERATION FUNDS MGMT LTD
Lytton Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 2NN 0438 744 848

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Growth Inc	58.20	61.91*	+0.53	3.00
High Income	33.55	35.69	+0.22	4.60
Japan	39.01	41.49	-0.09	...
Smaller Cos Inc	31.44	33.44	+0.03	2.30
Smaller Cos	32.97	35.07	+0.03	2.30
North American	32.22	34.27	+0.21	0.50
European	37.50	39.89	+0.44	0.60

CONSISTENT UNIT TST MGMT CO LTD
1 White Hart Yd, London Bridge SE1 1NX 071 407 5966

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Consistent UT	30.80	33.06*	...	3.27

COOKE (HENRY) INV FUNDS LTD
1 King St, Manchester M60 3AH 0800 526 358

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Growth	142.90	152.10	+0.30	1.86
Income	71.36	75.92*	+0.10	4.99
European	60.77	64.65	+0.55	0.60
Recovery	142.50	151.60	+0.60	1.88

CO-OP PENSION FDS UT MGRS LTD
78-80 Cornhill, London EC3V 3NJ 071 283 9494

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Equity Dist	794.00	808.10*	...	3.80

CREDIT SUISSE INV FDS (UK) LTD
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex 0277 690 370

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Fellowship Tst	70.19	74.66	+0.40	1.37
Income	233.20	248.00	+0.20	4.62
Smaller Cos	148.90	158.30	+0.20	0.85
Inv Portfolio	77.60	82.55	+0.66	1.45
High Income Port	66.80	71.06	+0.60	4.75

DIMENSIONAL TST MGMT LTD
155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3XS 071 480 0177

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Euro Small Cos	£15.76	£16.14	...	...
Japan Small Cos	£14.15	£14.44	...	...
UK Small Cos	£17.81	£18.56	...	...
US Small Cos	£15.73	£16.17	...	...

DISCRETIONARY UNIT FUND MGRS
66 Wilson Street, London EC2A 2BL 071 377 8819

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Disc Inc	201.70	212.30	...	2.48

DUNEDIN UNIT TST MGRS LTD
25, Rutland Terrace, Edinburgh 031 315 2500

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
European Gwth	272.40	288.20	+3.30	1.04
New Asia	225.20	240.70	+1.90	...
Japan Growth	138.10	146.90	-0.70	...
Jap Smllr Co	585.10	622.80	-2.70	...
Nth Amer	242.70	257.30*	-1.40	0.95
Shlrd Asia Pac Mt	125.00	132.50	+1.20	...
UK Inc & Grth	212.50	227.20	+1.10	3.14

EAGLE STAR UNIT MGRS LTD
Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ 0242 577 555

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK Balanced Inc	137.80	146.60	+0.80	1.83
UK High Inc Inc	150.30	159.90	+1.00	4.50
UK Pref & F I Inc	55.19	58.71	+0.65	5.34
Envrnmntl Opps	82.39	87.65	+0.53	1.07

EDINBURGH UNIT TST MGRS LTD
97 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh 0345 090 526

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American	118.80	126.00	+0.40	0.99
Convertibles	21.61	22.96	+0.08	7.19
Equity Income	126.30	134.20	+0.50	3.73
EuroFund	45.70	48.46	+0.39	0.41
Financial	46.82	49.75	+0.11	1.61
Growth & Inc	228.40	242.70*	+1.40	3.09
High Dist	154.80	164.50	-0.70	4.56
International	404.60	430.00	-0.20	0.17
Intl Cap Inc	96.05	102.50*	+0.30	2.54
Latin American	47.39	50.35*	-0.05	...
Pacific	86.79	92.21	-0.06	...
Preference Share	22.45	23.85*	+0.04	6.92
Tokyo	251.70	267.10	-0.20	...
UK Smaller Cos	227.70	241.90	+0.70	1.03

ELY PLACE UNIT MGRS LTD
28 Ely Place, London EC1N 6RL 071 242 0242

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Elcon Trust	210.89	225.14	+0.01	1.02

ENDURANCE FUND MGMT LTD
41 Harrington Gardens, London SW7 4JU 071 373 7261

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Endurance Fd	205.90	219.00	...	0.51

EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD
Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks HP21 7QN 0296 431 480

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
European	79.96	84.17	+0.26	1.63
Ethical Tst	45.91	48.33	+0.05	1.18
Far Eastern	319.98	336.82*	+0.52	1.48
High Income	133.50	140.53	...	4.46
Intl Growth	119.52	125.81	+0.62	1.36
North American	106.84	112.46	-0.69	1.00
Pelican	115.08	121.77	-0.25	3.05
Smaller Cos	71.86	75.64	-0.17	2.18
Special Sits	91.42	96.23	+0.23	2.35
Tst of Inv Tsts	187.20	197.05*	+0.52	1.31

EVERMORE FUND MGMT LTD
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Smaller Cos Inc	212.25	221.09	+0.01	1.18
Smaller Cos Acc	368.52	383.87	+0.02	1.18
Recovery	54.14	56.40	-0.20	1.15

EXETER FUND MANAGERS LTD
23 Cathedral Yard, Exeter EX1 1HB 0392 412 144

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Balanced	106.35	113.35	-0.06	5.98
Capital Growth	84.32	90.42	+0.44	...
Fd of Inv Tsts	45.89	48.05*	+0.19	0.59
High Income	46.75	50.10*	+0.05	8.84
Warrant	60.93	66.23	+0.02	...
Zero Preference	35.98	38.18	-0.07	...

FAMILY INVESTMENT MGMT LTD
16 West Street, Brighton BN1 2RE 0273 220 797

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Family Asset Tst	76.30	81.26	+0.200	2.09
Family Income Tst	45.78	48.78	+0.180	5.74
Family Trust	88.46	94.10*	...	1.05
United Charities	262.70	279.50	+4.300	2.80

FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVS LTD
130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ
Callfree: Private Clients 0800 414 161 Broker Dealings: 0800 414 181

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Cash Fund				
Cash Fund	100.00	100.00	...	4.20
Stabiliser Growth Range				
Controlled Risk UK	24.11	25.45	+0.17	2.86
-do- Europe	24.06	25.46	+0.07	4.27
-do- America	22.31	23.50	+0.08	...
-do- Acc Japan	22.73	24.04	-0.12	0.02
Bond Funds				
Gilt & Fxd Int	26.13	26.30*	-1.30	8.34
Intl Bond	27.78	28.85*	+0.03	5.49
Income Funds				
High Income	25.56	26.90*	-0.60	5.28
Income Plus	114.20	121.50	+0.60	3.90
Amer Eq Inc	46.97	49.74*	+0.21	1.14
European Income	43.53	46.29	+0.13	2.23
Far East Inc	63.63	67.77	-0.31	1.75
Global Convertible	23.37	24.93	...	2.55
UK Div Grth	22.94	24.40	+0.19	1.50
Equity Funds				
ASEAN	64.39	68.69	+0.44	...
American	228.35	243.30	+1.50	...
Amer Spec Sits	105.30	112.40	+0.30	...
Japan Smaller Cos	47.39	50.55	-0.36	...
European	163.10	173.50	+1.10	...
European Opps	62.45	66.41	+0.21	...
Global Priv	23.67	25.18	+0.06	1.65
UK Growth	86.44	91.91	+0.65	...
Growth & Inc	146.00	155.30	+0.80	2.73
Intl PEP	35.60	37.86	+0.24	...
Japan Spec Sits	107.40	114.60	-0.40	...
Japan	217.90	232.40*	-1.50	...
Managed Intl	273.90	292.30	-0.80	...
Moneybuilder	53.25	56.02*	+0.16	...
Recovery	47.10	50.08	-0.05	...
South E Asia	153.40	163.70	...	...
Special Sits	517.80	550.60	+1.60	...
Specialist Funds				
UK Index	108.10	113.90*	-1.10	2.43
UK Reverse Index	77.43	81.87	-1.05	3.78
Europe Index	97.36	102.50	+0.40	4.51
-do- Reverse Index	74.28	78.37*	-0.64	6.68
America Index	98.55	104.50*	+3.10	0.14
-do- Reverse Index	90.88	95.75*	-0.79	0.27
Japan Index	139.60	147.00*	-0.30	0.12
-do- Reverse Index	89.22	93.69*	-0.52	0.77
Cash Accum Units	106.17	106.17	+0.03	4.20

FLEMING PRIVATE FUND MGMT LTD
20 Finsbury St, Lond EC2Y 9AQ 071 814 2780

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Balanced	138.90	142.10	...	1.57
Inc Ptfolio	87.34	89.02	+0.54	3.77
Cap Ptfolio	145.00	147.80	+1.0	0.68
General Opps	123.40	125.50	...	3.15
Growth Inc	30.90	31.57	+0.18	1.61
Private Portfolio	399.10	407.20	...	1.45

FOREIGN & COLONIAL UNIT MGT
Admin. PO Box 2001, Brentwood, Essex CM13 1XR Enq: 071 454 1434 Dlg: 0277 261 010
Hypo Foreign & Colonial

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
European	112.60	119.00*	+0.70	0.36
Emrg Asian	176.80	192.00	+2.30	...
High Income	21.82	23.22*	+0.14	9.82
Oseas Income	92.52	98.76	+0.48	2.86
UK Growth	111.00	118.70	+0.80	1.43
UK Income	104.00	111.00	+0.90	4.23
US Smaller Cos	282.20	301.80	+0.80	...

FOSTER & BRAITHWAITE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD
1 White Hart Yard, London SE1 1NX 071 407 5966

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
High Inc Eqty	48.73	51.84	+0.43	3.25
-do- Inv Tst Inc	78.46	83.47	+0.02	4.46
Intl Growth	71.30	75.85	...	1.19
Investment Trust	93.0	98.94	+0.33	0.14
UK Smaller Cos	78.67	83.69*	+0.06	1.28

FRAMLINGTON UNIT MGMT LTD
155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3FT 071 374 4100

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American Growth	51.25	54.71	+0.26	...
(Accum Units)	51.25	54.71	+0.26	...
Amer Smllr Cos	439.00	469.40	+2.80	...
(Accum Units)	448.50	479.60	+2.90	...
Capital Tst	314.90	334.90	+0.10	1.45
(Accum Units)	445.50	473.80	+0.20	1.45
Contl Smllr Cos	61.34	66.35	+0.34	0.45
(Accum Units)	64.51	69.77	+0.35	0.45
Convertible	131.00	139.30*	+0.30	5.15
(Accum Units)	258.40	274.80*	+0.60	5.15
Emerging Markets	80.88	86.41	+0.53	...
(Accum Units)	80.96	86.49	+0.54	...
European	119.50	127.30	+1.40	0.01
(Accum Units)	125.20	133.30	+1.40	0.01
Extra Income	330.30	351.30	+2.00	3.76
(Accum Units)	488.90	520.00	+3.30	3.76
Financial	119.10	127.90	+1.20	0.35
(Accum Units)	125.40	134.70	+1.30	0.35
Gilt Trust	60.52	62.41	+0.43	6.32
(Accum Units)	82.20	84.77	+0.57	6.32
Health Fund Inc	114.30	122.10	+1.70	...
(Accum Units)	114.30	122.10	+1.70	...
Income & Growth	194.40	206.70	+1.10	3.52
(Accum Units)	285.90	304.10	+1.70	3.52
Intl Growth	355.20	381.90	+2.30	...
(Accum Units)	394.40	424.10	+2.60	...
Japan & Gen	206.30	221.10	-0.10	...
(Accum Units)	208.40	223.30	-0.10	...
Managed Port Inc	104.50	109.90	+0.60	1.31
(Accum Units)	110.70	116.50	+0.60	1.31
Monthly Income	163.70	174.10	+0.70	3.80
Quarterly Income	53.13	56.51*	+0.21	4.21
(Accum Units)	56.03	59.59*	+0.23	4.21
Recovery	353.90	378.40	+2.20	...
(Accum Units)	416.40	445.20	+2.70	...
UK Growth	51.21	54.76	+0.59	2.66
(Accum Units)	52.97	56.64	+0.61	2.66

FRIENDS PROVIDENT UNIT TRUSTS
Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts
Dealing: 0722 412 411 Admin: 0722 411 622

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
FP Equity Dist	378.33	402.48	+3.43	2.78
-do- Accum	789.51	839.90	+7.17	2.78
FP Euro Gth Dist	136.43	145.14*	+0.22	0.25
-do- Accum	141.89	150.95*	+0.23	0.25
FP Fixed Int Dist	127.57	134.94	+0.59	7.27
-do- Accum	227.59	240.73	+1.04	7.27
FP Intl Gth Dist	94.25	100.27	+0.15	0.46
-do- Accum	98.33	104.61	+0.16	0.46
FP Nth Amer Dist	180.46	191.16*	+0.93	0.93
-do- Accum	197.95	209.69*	+1.01	0.93
FP Pac Basin Dist	329.32	350.34*	-0.32	0.14
-do- Accum	336.03	357.48*	-0.33	0.14
Stewardship Dist	330.42	351.51	+1.50	1.99
-do- Accum	399.64	425.15	+1.82	1.99
Stwrdshp Inc Dist	72.01	76.61*	+0.16	3.49
-do- Accum	92.00	97.87*	+0.21	3.49
N Am Stshp Dist	96.27	102.41*	+0.16	0.57
-do- Accum	102.07	108.58*	+0.17	0.57
FP Managed Portfolio Service				
Capital Gwth Acc	108.70	115.60	-1.00	0.80
Open Cap Gth Acc	111.70	118.80	-0.80	0.09
Cap Gth Inc Inc	104.30	110.80*	-1.10	1.59
Cap Gth Inc Acc	106.00	112.70*	-1.10	1.59
Opn Cp Gth Ic Ic	105.80	112.50	-0.30	1.82
Opn Cp Gth Ic Ac	107.40	114.20	-0.70	1.82
NM Unit Trusts				
American	42.78	45.51	+0.26	1.66
Australian	326.80	348.60	+3.10	0.0
Conscience	71.69	76.50	+0.24	0.42
European	199.60	212.30	+2.10	1.17
Extra Income	71.72	76.54*	+0.31	5.80
Gilt & FI	54.26	57.26*	+0.22	6.96
Gold	55.15	59.30	-0.22	0.0
Income	53.91	57.50	+0.29	3.83
Intnl	33.67	36.01	+0.08	0.49
Jap Smaller Cos	424.70	453.00	-5.10	0.0
Sing & Malaysian	260.10	278.90	-1.20	0.0
Smaller Cos	30.08	32.34	-0.01	0.58
Special Sits	35.98	38.68	+0.39	1.75
Sterling Deposit	100.50	100.50*	+0.10	4.50
Tokyo	96.13	102.50	-0.60	0.0
UK Equity	173.20	184.70*	+1.40	2.69
US Smaller Cos	109.30	116.70	+2.60	0.0

GA UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD
PO Box 237, York YO1 1LA 0345 581 106/7

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
GANDA	234.40	247.90	+2.00	2.41
Cash	49.33	50.07*	+0.01	3.87
Growth Portfolio	79.69	84.47	+0.20	0.67
Income Portfolio	65.79	69.57*	+0.15	4.46

GT UNIT MANAGERS LTD
Alban Gate, 14th Floor, 125 London Wall, London EC2Y 5AS 071 710 4567
Dealing: 071 626 9431

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Amer Spec Sits	158.60	169.70	...	...
European	549.90	588.30	...	0.46
Far East & Gen	293.10	313.50	...	...
Germany	126.20	133.80	...	...
Income Inc	152.50	163.10	...	4.48
International	343.50	367.20	...	0.19
Intl Income	79.63	84.57	...	4.09
Japan & General	443.80	472.50	...	...
Korean Securities	71.04	75.98	...	...
Smllr Cos Div Inc	48.78	52.18*	...	4.73
UK Capital (Inc)	170.90	182.80*	...	0.96
UK Spec Sits	89.07	95.27	...	0.34
US & General	129.30	137.40	...	...
Wwide Spec Sits	154.90	165.20*	...	...

GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS
Gartmore House, 16-18 Monument St, London EC3R 8AJ 071 782 2000 Dlgs only: 0277 264 421
Investor Services: Freephone 0800 289 336

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK Growth Funds				
British Growth	47.63	50.98*	+0.31	2.00
Cash Trust	134.19	134.19*	+0.03	4.14
Practical Inv Inc	116.79	124.91	+0.41	3.52
UK Index	146.32	148.99	+1.40	2.91
UK Smaller Cos	121.91	130.39	-0.20	1.00
Income Funds				
Preference Share	24.54	26.25*	+0.35	9.41
High Income	32.82	35.10*	+0.17	4.90
UK Equity Income	133.80	143.10*	+1.08	3.73
Global Bond	27.78	28.79*	+0.11	4.93
International Funds				
Emerging Markets	59.64	63.70	+0.38	...
Global Inc & Gth	134.69	143.66	+0.88	1.42
Gold & Intl Res	115.75	123.80	...	0.19
Global Utilities	133.43	142.71	+1.49	1.00
Overseas Funds				
American	134.36	143.81	+1.36	0.90
European	96.56	102.48	+0.72	0.74
Euro Sel Opps	137.65	146.64*	+0.89	0.19
Amer Emerging	90.34	96.62	+1.06	...
Hong Kong	148.60	158.93	+0.27	1.73
Japan	271.75	288.84*	+0.03	...
Pacific Growth	227.99	243.84	+1.51	1.15
Gartmore Pensions Strategy Funds				
Managed Equity	212.83	212.83*	+1.36	1.75
Long Term Bal	227.09	227.09*	-2.28	2.26
Med Term Bal	192.69	192.69	+0.94	2.82
UK Equity	237.07	237.07	+5.69	2.19
UK Emerging Cos	140.33	140.33	+0.40	2.10
American	224.35	224.35	+1.74	1.29
Japan	143.94	143.94	+0.15	...
European	254.24	254.24	+3.61	0.97
Index Linked Gilt	161.77	161.77	+1.44	3.30
Fixed Interest	147.76	147.76	+0.17	6.65
Amer Emergs	243.22	243.22	+2.56	...
Pacific	267.32	267.32	+0.35	0.90
Emerging Mkts	173.43	173.43*	-0.45	0.39
Index Strat Japan	166.42	166.42	...	0.20
-do- Pacific Rim	192.19	192.19	...	1.00
-do- Cont Europe	148.98	148.98*	...	1.54
Index Strat USA	125.82	125.82	...	1.00
Gartmore Personal Pension Funds				
Managed Equity	100.54	106.96	+0.68	...
Med Term Bal	91.61	97.46	+0.48	...
Long Term Bal	102.25	108.79	-1.08	...
UK Equity	109.66	116.66	+2.80	...
UK Emerging Cos	65.86	70.06	+0.20	...
American	104.27	110.93	+0.86	...
Japan	69.28	73.70	+0.08	...
European	105.66	112.73	+1.59	...
Fixed Interest	74.56	79.30	+0.09	...
Index Linked Gilt	71.83	76.41	+0.68	...
Deposit	78.29	83.29	+0.02	...
Broker Unit Trusts				
Berkeley Intl Grth	125.11	131.69*	-0.71	...
Berkeley Income	112.31	118.22*	-0.53	2.16
BWH Intl	139.27	146.60	-0.94	0.58
Brcliff Gth Port Inc	60.99	64.37	-0.38	1.25
-do- Inc Port Inc	56.04	59.19	-0.37	3.40
-do- Wwide Port	53.59	56.56	-0.32	0.50
Shaw Utilities	57.47	60.65	+1.09	3.51

GLENFRIARS UNIT TST MGRS LTD
22 Suffolk St, London SW1Y 4HS 071 930 7533

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Inv Opportunities	142.60	150.80	...	1.01
Higher Income	126.30	132.60	...	1.93

GLOBAL ASSET MANAGEMENT
GAM Sterling Management Ltd
12 St James's Place, London SW1 071 493 9990

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
& Intl Inc	556.01	591.50	...	0.82
European Inc	148.09	157.54	...	1.29
Amalgam Inc	151.22	160.06	...	...
N America Inc	322.62	343.21	...	...
Far East Inc	377.42	401.51	...	...
UK Divid Inc	175.68	186.89	...	0.88

GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MGMT LTD
Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 071 378 7979 Dealing: 071 407 7888

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK Equity Inc	87.08	91.70	-0.86	4.86
UK Small Cos	46.77	50.02	...	1.04
British Growth	53.04	55.92	-0.67	2.90
American Gwth	142.01	151.89	-1.07	0.37
Japan Gwth	89.96	96.22	+0.35	...
Greater China	198.38	212.17*	-3.16	...
Pacific Strategy	174.38	186.50	-1.04	...
European Gwth	86.79	92.83	-1.32	0.56
Intl Growth	145.89	156.03	+0.09	0.51
US Index (£)	12.99	13.58	+0.07	3.00
FT-SE Mid 250 Ind	76.32	80.73*	-0.31	2.31
Monthly Income	39.12	41.60*	-0.13	10.00
MIS Unit Trust Dealing: 071 865 0033				
Grd UK Index (£)	10.62	11.18	+0.33	3.60

GRANVILLE UNIT TST MGMT LTD
Mint Hse, 77 Mansell St, London E1 8AF 071 488 1212

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Small Cos	93.58	99.55	...	1.18
Bridge Income	262.32	279.07	...	5.3h

GUARDIAN ROYAL EX UT MGRS LTD
36 Harbour Exchange Sq, London E14 9GE 071 538 9668

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Cash	136.10	136.10	...	3.30
European	482.60	515.50	-1.20	0.19
Gilt & Fixed	123.90	131.60	+0.50	5.02
Growth Equity	330.60	353.20	-1.00	1.84
Income Trust	127.40	136.10	+1.20	2.89
International	184.90	197.50	+0.10	...
Japan Trust	139.50	149.00*	-1.20	...
Nth American	253.70	271.00	-1.60	0.27
Pacific	573.60	612.80	+4.10	...
Guardhill	488.10	521.40	+2.20	1.90

GUINNESS FLIGHT UT MGRS LTD
5 Gainsford Street, London SE1 2NE 071 522 2129

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
EMU Trust	99.27	102.99	-2.14	8.09
Global High Inc	100.37	104.17*	-2.03	7.66
Prem Fixed Int	99.00	102.77	-1.21	8.71
Eqty & Bond Inc	100.72	107.09*	-0.71	4.88
European Growth	99.47	105.75	-0.91	...
Intl PEP Trust	60.55	64.38	-0.67	...
High Income	120.94	128.60*	-0.21	3.95
Recovery	392.40	406.60	-0.30	1.44
St Vinc High Inc	132.04	134.02	+3.41	6.53
Tmp Bar Emer Co	246.90	262.50	-0.10	1.49
Tmp Br Sm Co In	349.20	355.30*	+0.20	2.05
Glob Priv Tst	92.89	98.76	-1.77	1.20
Inc Share Tst	95.20	101.23	-0.41	7.87

HALIFAX STANDARD TST MGT LTD
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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Global Advtg Inc	38.90	41.24*	-0.10	1.59
Income Advtg Inc	31.18	33.06	...	3.75

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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Model Ptflio	200.10	212.30	-2.70	2.10
Smaller Cos	34.34	36.53	-0.06	0.82

HENDERSON TOUCHE REMNANT
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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK Funds				
Special Sits	291.62	312.03	-2.30	1.20
Best of British	63.35	67.33	+0.70	2.48
UK Smaller Cos	122.30	131.56*	+0.44	1.09
High Income Funds				
Income & Growth	273.94	291.73	+1.56	3.01
High Income	319.93	341.99*	+1.90	3.76
Extra Income	276.67	294.23	+1.38	5.02
Pref & Gilt	44.50	47.83*	+0.11	8.11
International				
International	273.97	292.60	+1.87	...
Global Bond	51.92	55.21	-0.15	5.65
Family of Funds	82.18	87.70*	-0.53	0.20
Global Tech	139.20	148.87	+0.54	...
Overseas Funds				
Asian Enterprise	183.02	195.71	-0.05	...
European	470.99	500.18	+3.78	0.27
European Income	82.06	86.97*	+0.59	2.47
Euro Smlr Cos	146.81	157.52	+0.60	0.03
Eur Sp Sits	68.95	73.34	+0.29	0.31
Japan Trust	242.17	257.67*	-0.19	...
Japan Special Sits	270.83	288.15	-0.34	...
Pacific Smlr Cos	266.61	283.63	-1.35	...
North American	228.92	243.34*	+1.02	0.35
American Smaller	97.65	104.37	+0.68	...
Henderson TR Pension Portfolio				
American Growth	51.83	54.93	+0.36	...
Eur Sp Sits	59.18	62.73	+0.36	...
General Growth	42.60	45.15	+0.47	...
Global Tech	54.45	57.71	+0.20	...
Income Growth	41.68	44.18	+0.24	...
Japan Growth	29.62	31.39	-0.02	...
Overseas Growth	40.02	42.42	+0.36	...
Smaller Cos	21.70	23.00	+0.26	...
Special Opps	28.73	30.45	+0.10	...
Wwide Sp Sits	49.93	52.92	+0.32	...

HILL SAMUEL UNIT TST MGRS
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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
British	97.69	104.40	+0.90	1.80
Capital	172.33	184.20*	+0.80	1.55
Dollar	327.40	350.10	+2.60	...
European	232.89	248.90*	+1.20	...
Far East	338.90	362.40	+0.50	0.18
Financial	794.00	849.10	+2.70	1.34
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	24.58	25.56*	...	7.95
High Yield	105.10	112.40	+0.70	4.33
Income & Growth	142.60	152.50	+1.10	3.45
International	254.14	271.70*	+0.80	...
Japanese General	221.30	236.60	-3.70	...
Japan Tech	90.04	96.29	-1.90	...
Nat Resources	73.44	78.54	+0.01	...
Portfolio	72.56	77.60	+0.36	1.47
Security	330.50	353.40	+1.90	1.83
Smaller Cos	129.80	138.80	+0.20	1.00
Special Sits	151.10	161.60	+1.10	1.34
UK Emerging Cos	91.89	98.27	+0.03	0.44
US Smaller Cos	66.37	70.98	+0.81	...

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Index Funds				
American Index	192.40	205.00	+1.90	1.33
Eurotrack 100	154.00	163.80	+1.60	1.06
Footsie Fund	52.09	55.05	+0.61	2.59
Japan Index	87.52	93.40	-0.26	0.08
Tiger Index	215.70	230.20	+1.0	0.27
Trinde Index	116.30	124.10	+1.90	1.76
UK Index	136.80	146.00*	+1.40	2.93
Active Funds				
American Growth	461.90	493.00	+6.40	0.60
Asian	58.96	62.92	-0.13	0.15
Capital	581.40	620.50	+6.60	1.82
European Growth	113.90	121.10	+1.0	...
Global Bond	20.50	21.65*	+0.03	6.83
Hong Kong Gwth	108.10	115.40	+0.50	0.63
Income	559.50	597.10	+4.60	3.69
Intl Growth	79.76	85.02	+0.20	0.11
Japan Growth	321.80	343.40	-1.80	...
Japan Smllr Cos	42.05	44.88	-0.18	...
Spore & Mlysn Gth	79.01	84.32	-0.25	...
Midland Unit Trusts				
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Balanced	59.49	63.63	+0.24	3.53
(Accum Units)	61.79	66.08	+0.25	2.53
British Tst	81.40	87.06	+0.34	1.92
(Accum Units)	93.58	100.00	+0.31	1.92
Extra High Inc	67.19	71.86	+0.14	6.38
(Accum Units)	126.40	135.10	+0.30	6.38
Gilt & Fxd Int	52.45	54.58	+0.09	6.59
(Accum Units)	147.30	153.30	+0.30	6.59
High Yield	222.30	237.60	+0.60	5.10
(Accum Units)	542.80	580.50	+1.60	5.10
Income	288.20	308.30*	+2.0	3.24
(Accum Units)	627.50	671.10*	+4.40	3.24
Money Market UT	49.35	49.35*	+0.02	4.04
(Accum Units)	76.02	76.02*	+0.03	4.04
Monthly Income	84.39	90.26	+0.39	5.57
Midland Personal Pension Unit Trust				
British	97.39	103.50	+0.90	1.90
European Growth	109.90	116.90	+1.0	0.02
Gilt & Fixed	79.74	84.60	-0.14	6.56
Income	84.74	90.15	+0.67	2.83
Japan Growth	60.88	64.77	-0.32	...
Managed	66.82	71.09	+0.66	2.47
Money Market	84.30	89.78	+0.04	4.47
North American	85.43	90.88	+1.27	0.49
Midland PSAVCS Unit Trust				
British	88.39	94.03	+0.83	1.88
European Growth	103.40	110.00	+0.90	0.01
Gilt & Fixed Int	75.99	80.63	+0.14	6.52
Income	83.25	88.56	+0.67	2.90
Japan Growth	60.66	64.53	-0.32	...
Managed	63.92	68.00	+0.28	2.44
Money Market	78.32	83.02	+0.04	4.43
North American	77.86	82.83	+1.14	0.59
Midland Executive Pension Unit Trust				
British	88.51	94.16	+0.83	1.86
European Growth	101.00	107.40	+0.90	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	69.92	74.18	+0.12	6.65
Income	82.49	87.75	+0.66	2.91
Japan Growth	62.13	66.10	-0.33	...
Managed	66.92	71.19	+0.29	2.44
Money Market	73.28	77.68	+0.03	4.48
North American	86.20	91.70	+1.28	0.46

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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK Specialist Trusts				
Investment Tst	72.47	75.22	+0.17	0.35
Smaller Cos	29.98	31.11*	+0.12	0.99
Special Features	31.73	32.93	+0.18	1.61
(Accum Units)	38.09	39.53	+0.19	1.61
General Funds				
Managed Invest	...	...	...	...
PEP Managed	72.57	75.32	+0.80	2.37
Rupert Child Tst	82.67	85.81	+0.68	2.17
UK Growth	59.35	61.60	+0.44	2.35
High Income Funds				
Cashbox (Dist)	50.06	50.06*	+0.02	3.91
Cashbox (Acc)	58.14	58.14*	+0.01	3.91
Extra Income	83.55	88.72*	+0.33	5.23
Gilt & Fixed Int	25.50	26.39	+0.02	8.26
Income & Growth	40.34	41.87	+0.32	3.11
UK Income	338.70	351.50	+2.40	3.46
Overseas Growth Funds				
American Growth	49.38	51.14	+0.34	1.03
US Smaller Cos	102.10	105.90	+0.90	...
(Accum Units)	103.20	107.10	+0.70	...
Europe Perf	157.10	162.70*	+2.30	...
(Accum Units)	162.40	168.20*	+2.30	...
Euro Smaller Cos	29.57	30.69	+0.22	...
French Growth	79.03	82.07	+2.37	...
(Accum Units)	84.70	87.91	+2.41	...
H Kong & China	90.33	93.76	+0.34	1.37
Intl Growth	58.73	60.96	+0.38	0.43
(Accum Units)	59.02	61.26	+0.38	0.43
Japan Perf	38.21	39.66	-0.21	...
(Accum Units)	38.21	39.66	-0.21	...
Japan Smaller Cos	49.44	51.31	-0.27	...
Glob Emg Mkts	116.50	120.90*	+0.40	...
(Accum Units)	117.30	121.70	+0.60	...
SE Asia	340.80	353.70	-0.30	0.37
Overseas Income Funds				
Global Income	92.01	95.50	+0.67	1.56
Intl Bond	53.30	53.88	+0.06	5.52

JUPITER MERLIN UT MGRS LTD
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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American Cap	133.60	142.00	+2.20	..
Income	142.39	151.47*	+1.10	3.95
UK Growth	52.41	55.75*	+0.34	0.967
International	87.73	93.32*	-0.28	0.24
Ecology	80.60	85.74	+0.56	1.25
European	116.41	123.72	+0.97	..
Far Eastern	343.80	365.70	-0.10	

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Dealers: 071 956 7354

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Income Trusts				
Extra Income	51.47	54.76	+0.28	7.01
Gilt Yield	111.70	117.90	-0.20	7.24
Global Income	222.40	236.60*	+0.96	3.85
High Yield	141.80	150.90	+2.07	5.77
Smllr Cos Div	53.78	57.21*	+0.26	2.77
Capital Growth Trusts				
Amer Smllr Cos	89.05	94.73	+0.46	...
North American	74.24	78.98	-0.50	0.25
European Special	99.21	105.50*	-0.02	0.14
European	155.10	165.00	-1.00	0.36
General	271.10	288.40	+1.60	3.12
Japan	470.20	500.22	-1.30	...
Japanese Special	289.50	307.70	-0.30	...
Master Accum	244.50	260.10	-0.80	0.83
Pacific	362.30	385.40	...	0.22
Smaller Cos	113.90	121.20	-0.50	0.53
UK Equity Growth	40.50	43.09*	-0.82	1.57

KNIGHT WILLIAMS PRTFOL MGRS
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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Global Inc & Gth	64.61	68.74	+0.06	...
Inv Trust	71.57	76.14	+0.19	...
Cautious Inc/Gth	59.53	63.33	-0.03	0.80
High Inc Acc	55.06	58.58	+0.17	3.50

L & C UNIT TST MGMT LTD
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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Income	605.90	618.70*	...	5.78
Intl & General	435.70	444.60	...	0.01

LAURENCE KEEN UNIT TRUST MGMT
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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Inc & Growth Inc	55.95	59.52*	+0.42	4.42
Smaller Cos	55.84	59.09	+0.18	0.85

LAURENTIAN UNIT TST MGMT LTD
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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Growth Trust	246.80	262.60	+2.00	1.97
High Income	108.20	115.10*	+0.40	4.04
International	100.90	107.30*	+0.40	0.63
Recovery Trust	64.89	69.03	+0.18	1.32
European Trust	84.63	90.03	+0.36	0.63
Japanese Trust	49.11	52.24	-0.31	..
American Trust	80.15	85.27	-0.60	..
Managed	68.07	72.42	+0.09	0.39
Cash	50.58	50.58	+0.02	1.86

LAZARD UNIT TST MGRS LTD
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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK Cap	356.00	361.70*	..	2.49
UK Inc/Gth	381.30	387.10*	..	3.34
UK Income	269.10	273.20*	..	4.02
UK Sm Cos	242.00	250.90*	..	1.59
Euro Gwth	125.40	126.90	..	..
N Amer Gwth	76.28	77.05	..	0.12
Japan Growth	73.80	74.55	..	..
Money Mkt	119.89	119.89	..	2.290

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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Equity Dist	470.90	501.00	+4.70	2.55
Equity Income	97.48	103.70*	+0.60	3.79
UK Tactical Allocn	55.37	58.79	+0.70	2.94
European	113.80	121.10*	-1.00	0.46
Far Eastern	250.20	266.20	-0.90	...
Fixed Interest	49.83	53.01	+0.24	7.47
Gilt	85.43	91.02	-0.21	8.75
Global Growth	80.89	86.05	+0.16	0.85
Intl Bond	50.34	53.43*	-0.18	4.94
Japanese	85.48	90.94	-0.32	...
North American	144.70	153.90*	+0.30	0.45
Pacific Growth	120.30	128.00	-0.10	..
UK Index	62.43	65.89	+0.61	3.02
UK Recovery	92.68	98.60	+0.72	1.76
UK Smaller Cos	123.30	131.20*	-0.30	1.17
US Index	57.54	60.73	+0.12	1.79
European Index	72.26	76.29*	+0.49	1.61
Japan Index	45.84	48.38	-0.19	...
Worldwide	85.96	91.45	+0.36	1.25

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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Growth	50.34	53.55*	+0.69	1.69
Income	60.29	64.14*	+0.69	2.65
Far East	59.91	64.07	-0.24	...
North American	84.70	91.08	+0.76	..
Global	93.92	99.92	+0.38	..
European	88.14	93.77	+0.60	0.41
Japan	122.70	131.20	-0.80	..
Intl Currency Bd	57.18	60.61	+0.11	4.15
SE Asia	117.70	125.90	+0.50	0.15
UK Cap Growth	92.96	99.42	+1.33	1.85

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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Balanced	343.30	365.30	+2.70	2.68
-do- Acc	770.20	819.40	+6.00	2.68
Contl Euro Gth	63.08	66.40	+0.13	0.62
-do- Acc	67.19	70.73	+0.14	0.62
Extra Inc	258.80	275.40	+1.50	3.82
-do- Acc	657.00	699.00	+4.00	3.82
German Gth	130.00	136.90	+0.90	0.12
-do- Acc	136.30	143.50	+0.90	0.12
Growth Port	552.60	587.90	+2.80	0.06
-do- Acc	557.30	592.90	+2.80	0.06
Income	490.00	521.30	+3.20	3.51
-do- Acc	£12.95	£13.78	+8.00	3.51
Income Port	508.90	541.40	-1.60	4.07
-do- Acc	529.80	563.70	-1.70	4.07
Japan Growth	118.20	125.80	-0.30	...
-do- Acc	118.60	126.20	-0.30	...
Master Trust	58.03	61.74	+0.22	1.37
-do- Acc	64.78	68.92	+0.25	1.37
N American Gen	176.00	187.30	+1.10	...
-do- Acc	203.30	216.30	+1.10	...
NAm Sm Co Rec	129.30	137.50	+0.90	...
-do- Acc	131.80	140.30	+0.80	...
Pacific Basin	273.10	290.60	-0.30	0.32
-do- Acc	289.80	308.30	-0.40	0.32
Small Cos Rec	361.80	380.90	+0.60	1.98
-do- Acc	479.10	504.40	-0.80	1.98
UK Growth	85.91	91.40*	+0.59	2.32
-do- Acc	103.20	109.80	+0.70	2.32
Worldwide Gth	323.50	344.20	-1.00	0.22
-do- Acc	477.20	507.70	-1.50	0.22

LONDON & MANCHESTER TST MGMT
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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American	63.96	68.63*	-0.32	0.10
General	86.77	93.10	+0.51	3.30
Income	67.83	72.78	-0.23	5.00
International	66.01	70.83	+0.10	0.40
Japan	64.75	69.47*	-0.49	..
Tst of Inv Trusts	70.02	75.13	+0.17	1.50

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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Amer & General	387.20	409.50*	+2.60	0.72
(Accum Units)	480.60	508.30	+3.20	0.72
Amer Recovery	451.60	477.60	+3.00	0.33
(Accum Units)	517.70	547.50	+2.30	0.33
Amer Smllr Cos	124.00	131.10*	+1.10	..
(Accum Units)	126.70	133.90	+1.10	..
Australasian	170.60	180.60*	-0.30	1.49
(Accum Units)	207.00	218.90	-0.30	1.49
Capital	828.70	876.30*	+3.10	2.10
(Accum Units)	941.50	995.60	+3.60	2.10
Charifund	694.30	701.30*	+4.30	5.35
(Accum Units)	£31.54	£31.84	+19.10	5.35
Commodity	395.90	418.70*	+1.10	0.36
(Accum Units)	580.50	613.80	+1.50	0.36
Compound Grth	936.60	990.50	+3.80	2.58
(Accum Units)	960.30	£10.15	+4.01	2.58
Dividend	40.50	42.80	+0.30	4.13
(Accum Units)	166.20	175.80	+1.20	4.13
Equity Income	352.40	372.70*	+1.90	4.64
(Accum Units)	448.50	474.30	+2.40	4.64
Euro & General	512.50	542.00	-1.30	0.85
(Accum Units)	647.00	684.30	-1.50	0.85
Euro Dividend	71.00	75.10*	-0.10	3.41
(Accum Units)	84.60	89.60	-0.10	3.41
Extra Yield	421.80	446.10	+2.70	4.46
(Accum Units)	£12.79	£13.53	+8.30	4.46
Far Eastern	378.60	400.40*	-0.91	0.45
(Accum Units)	501.50	530.40	-1.10	0.45
Fund of Inv Tsts	616.80	652.30	+1.10	1.65
(Accum Units)	£11.43	£12.09	+2.00	1.65
General	60.60	64.10	+0.30	3.64
(Accum Units)	167.10	176.80	+0.90	3.64
Gilt Income	57.60	57.71*	-0.04	7.65
(Accum Units)	155.26	155.55	-0.25	7.65
Gold	68.10	72.00*	-0.50	0.77
(Accum Units)	80.40	85.00	-0.60	0.77
High Income	28.60	30.20	+0.10	4.41
(Accum Units)	112.40	119.10	+0.50	4.41
Intl Growth	79.20	83.60*	+0.10	0.83
(Accum Units)	138.00	146.00	+0.30	0.83
International Inc	101.90	107.60	+0.30	4.29
(Accum Units)	147.20	155.80	+0.40	4.29
Japan & Gen	54.10	57.20	...	..
(Accum Units)	58.10	61.30	-0.10	..
Japan Smlr Cos	196.10	207.40	-0.90	..
(Accum Units)	197.40	208.80	-0.90	..
Managed Income	27.60	29.00	...	3.89
Midland	65.90	69.70	+0.30	2.50
(Accum Units)	216.70	229.30	+0.60	2.50
Pension Ex	944.00	967.70	+5.30	3.94
Recovery	42.70	45.20*	+0.21	2.26
(Accum Units)	69.40	73.50	+0.30	2.26
Second General	71.90	76.00	+0.40	3.30
(Accum Units)	183.40	193.60	+0.90	3.30
Smaller Cos	69.40	73.40*	+0.20	2.74
(Accum Units)	136.20	144.10	+0.30	2.74
Treasury	25.01	25.08*	...	4.73
Trustee	42.70	45.20	+0.30	4.07
(Accum Units)	168.20	178.10	+1.30	4.07

MGM UNIT MANAGERS LTD
MGM House, Heene Rd, Worthing
Dealing: 0277 261 010 Enq: 0903 204 631

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
European Growth	81.47	86.00	+0.49	0.58
High Income	287.50	305.80	+2.10	4.44
Intl Bond	61.91	65.10	+0.10	5.99
Intl Equity Growth	71.53	76.09	+0.43	0.35
N Amer Growth	93.65	99.62	+0.60	0.87
Special Sits Growth	21.63	23.01	-0.12	1.68
UK Growth	373.00	396.80	+3.20	2.61

MW INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD
46 Court St, Haddington, E Lothian 062 082 5867

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Joint Investors	£12.65	£13.08	..	2.30

MALDON UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD
c/o Baillie Gifford 1 Rutland Ct EH3 8EY 031 222 4242

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Maldon General	140.10	144.00	..	4.21

MANULIFE MANAGEMENT LTD
St George's Way, Stevenage
Dealings: 0438 747 414

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Growth Units	191.90	205.20	+1.80	2.30
Gilt & Fxd Int	165.30	174.10	-0.20	6.97
Intl Growth	215.70	229.70	-0.60	0.20
North American	176.00	188.00	+1.50	0.41
Far East	294.40	304.20	-0.60	0.02
UK Smaller Cos	170.50	182.30	+0.60	1.68
European	82.64	88.16	+0.41	0.23
Japanese Growth	53.84	57.26	-0.27	..
High Income	187.30	200.31	+1.60	4.36

MARKS & SPENCER UNIT TRUST LTD
PO Box 410, Chester Y CH99 9QG 0244 660 066

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
M & S Inv Ptflio	149.40	158.90*	-0.70	2.04
-do- Accum	170.26	181.00*	-0.70	2.04
UK Sel Ptflio	128.40	136.50	-0.96	2.27
-do- Accum	147.60	157.00	-0.96	2.27

MARLBOROUGH FUND MGRS LTD
57 Victoria Square, Bolton BL1 1LA 0204 364 942

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Managed Tst	64.52	68.64	..	3.89

MARTIN CURRIE UNIT TRUSTS LTD
Saltire Crt, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh 031 479 4646

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Intl Income	72.98	77.47	+0.23	4.15
European	81.44	86.45	+0.45	0.41
Income & Growth	72.68	77.15*	+0.33	3.02
Nth American	57.90	61.46	+0.31	0.35
Far East	181.10	192.30	-0.70	..
Japan	64.21	68.16	-0.18	..
Emrging Mkts	116.20	124.30	+0.40	..
Intl Growth	112.80	119.70	-0.10	0.27
UK Growth	89.06	94.54	+0.22	0.76
UK Smlr Co	46.52	49.36	+0.07	0.53
Asian Opps Fd	41.93	44.84	-0.10	0.15

MAYFLOWER MANAGEMENT CO LTD
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Income	412.82	439.17	+3.68	3.87
Global Inc	66.67	70.93	+0.57	2.56
Brit Leaders	336.09	357.54	+3.22	2.54
Intl Leaders	198.41	211.07	+0.89	0.92
PAM Stg Bal Grth	64.06	68.56	-0.32	0.66

MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD
33 King William St EC4R 9AS
Dealing: 071 280 2860

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American	194.90	207.30	+0.80	..
(Accum Units)	208.30	221.60	+0.90	..
British Blue Chip	79.11	84.18	+0.47	2.99
(Accum Units)	95.76	101.90	+0.60	2.99
Cash	100.30	100.30	..	4.80
(Accum Units)	135.30	135.30	..	4.80
Emerging Mkts	126.90	135.40	+1.00	..
European Growth	248.40	263.60	+0.50	0.60
(Accum Units)	268.10	284.40	+0.40	0.60
European Income	83.45	88.29	+0.27	2.76
(Accum Units)	111.10	117.60	+0.50	2.76
General	503.20	536.60	+1.90	2.25
(Accum Units)	975.00	1039	+3.00	2.25
Global Bond	120.80	126.90	+0.40	6.27
(Accum Units)	142.20	149.40	+0.60	6.27
Gold & General	207.00	222.60	-1.10	0.42
(Accum Units)	212.30	228.30	-1.30	0.42
Govt Securities	87.32	90.04	+0.38	7.90
(Accum Units)	165.90	171.00	+0.70	7.90
Income	150.30	159.90*	+0.90	4.34
(Accum Units)	231.10	246.00*	+1.30	4.34
Inc Portfolio	94.92	100.40	+0.40	5.18
-do- Accum	94.92	100.40	+0.40	5.18
International	472.10	501.70	+3.40	0.56
(Accum Units)	629.70	669.20	+4.60	0.56
Japan	213.10	225.90	-2.10	..
(Accum Units)	218.70	231.90	-2.20	..
New Europe	180.50	192.50	+1.00	1.35
(Accum Units)	184.50	196.80	+1.00	1.35
Pacific	127.40	135.90*	-1.50	0.62
(Accum Units)	136.50	145.60*	-1.60	0.62
Recovery	323.50	345.10	+7.50	2.60
(Accum Units)	411.30	438.70	+9.50	2.60
UK Smaller Cos	58.76	62.04	+0.24	1.75
(Accum Units)	65.38	69.74	+0.26	1.75
Portfolio	80.68	85.82	+0.40	2.64
(Accum Units)	93.85	99.83	+0.46	2.64

METROPOLITAN UT MGRS LTD
3 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar EN6 1AJ 0707 662 233

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Eurogrowth Plus	115.52	122.89	+0.19	0.87
Portfolio	67.80	72.13	+0.25	0.07
UK Income Inc	76.84	81.74	+0.63	4.58

MILLENNIUM FUND MGMT LTD
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
International (US$)	11.85	12.60	..	..

MORGAN GRENFELL INVEST FDS LTD
20 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 1UT
Dealers: 071 826 0826 Enquiries: 071 826 0123

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American Gwth	308.60	328.20	+2.30	..
European Gth Inc	407.40	435.10	+6.10	0.29
Intl Gwth	197.30	210.30	+0.10	..
UK Equity Inc	179.30	191.30	+0.90	2.96
UK Ind Trckr Inc	156.80	167.90*	+1.20	2.68
US Eq Ind Trk Inc	191.40	202.90	+1.50	1.40
Japan Tracker	84.08	89.08	-0.67	..
Asian Trader	220.50	238.20	+0.80	0.25
Managed Inc	152.90	164.40	+0.80	1.51
Deposit Inc	99.77	99.77*	+0.02	3.93
Europa	184.50	196.60*	+2.30	0.26
Genesis	155.00	169.30	+0.10	2.25
High Income	22.06	23.42*	+0.11	10.00

MURRAY JOHNSTONE UT MGMT
7 West Nile St, Glasgow G1 2PX 0345 090 933

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Acumen	93.98	96.25	+0.27	2.19
Acumen Inc	89.94	92.11	+0.25	2.19
Acumen Reserve	79.17	79.96*	+0.27	7.91
-do- Inc	70.15	70.85*	+0.23	7.91
Americas Growth	166.10	170.60*	+0.80	0.88
Cash Income	49.56	49.56*	+0.01	4.18
Equity Income	94.27	99.83	+0.72	4.31
European	72.89	74.42	+0.16	0.21
Smaller Cos	79.33	83.04	+0.30	1.04
Olympiad	69.02	70.79*	+0.08	..
Global Bond	42.73	43.29*	-0.83	7.50
UK Growth	91.65	94.27	+0.64	1.75
Pacific Growth	111.60	115.10*	..	..
Japan Growth	105.60	107.20*	-0.70	..

NFU MUTUAL UNIT MGRS LTD
5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex
Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Avon Equity	120.16	127.83*	+1.09	2.82

For NM Funds see Friends Provident

N&P UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
35 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF 061 237 5322

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK Growth	72.72	77.37*	+0.65	2.16
UK Income	108.50	115.50	+0.90	3.71
Gilt & Fixed Int	66.95	70.85*	-0.54	6.40
Higher Income	219.40	233.50	+1.10	4.64
Smaller Cos	79.48	84.56	-3.08	1.87
International	97.39	103.61	-1.98	1.76

NATIONAL PROV INV MGRS LTD
48 Gracechurch St EC3P 3HH 071 623 4200

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Americas Dist	102.80	109.90	+0.40	..
European Dist	112.50	120.30	+1.00	..
Far East Dist	200.40	214.30	+0.50	..
Global Cap Dist	67.98	72.71	+0.31	2.06
Oseas Dist	£10.67	£11.41	+3.00	0.09
UK Dist	340.80	364.50	+3.50	2.55
UK Extra Inc Dist	76.07	81.36*	+0.29	3.68
Wwide Dist	107.80	115.20	+0.10	..
Wwide Inc Dist	70.88	75.81	+0.16	1.96

NATIONAL WESTMINSTER UT MGRS
5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex
Dlg: 0277 690 280 Admin Enq: 0277 690 399

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Europe Inc	63.33	66.64	+0.40	0.48
Fund of Funds Inc	58.86	62.12*	+0.31	0.84
North America Inc	47.17	49.78	+0.29	0.52
UK Equity Grth Inc	59.49	62.79	+0.50	1.99
UK General Inc	57.90	61.11	+0.46	2.45
UK Gilt/Fix Int Inc	45.35	47.75*	..	7.35
UK Income Inc	57.94*	61.15*	+0.45	2.94

NEWTON FUND MGRS LTD
71 Queen Victoria St, London EC4V 4DR
Dealer: 0500 440 000 Private client: 0500 550 000 Broker: 0500 660 000
Price enquiry freephone 0500 33 00 00

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Income	227.05	241.55*	+1.86	3.73
Global	345.76	367.83	-0.96	1.03
General	188.46	200.49*	-0.59	2.16
Bond	115.80	122.95	-0.63	7.09
Growth	124.48	132.43	+0.93	2.62
Intrepid	121.56	126.63	..	1.30
Bridge Fund	86.67	92.21	..	..
Distributor	90.84	96.61	+0.64	3.92

NORWICH UNION TST MANAGERS
PO Box 124, Surrey Street, Norwich 0603 682 234

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Master Trust	124.03	131.93	+0.60	1.77
UK Equity	139.96	148.89	+1.38	2.83
UK Equity Income	133.11	141.61	+0.97	3.07
UK Smaller Cos	119.09	126.69*	+0.41	1.55
UK Equity Growth	129.38	137.64	+0.89	2.19
UK Index Trckg	139.76	148.68	+0.17	3.40
Intl Index Trckg	146.30	155.64	+0.66	1.04
International	238.44	253.66	+0.91	0.37
European	194.97	207.41*	+1.37	0.23
Pan European	132.26	140.70	+0.93	1.30
Nth American	159.14	169.30	+1.41	0.57
N Amer Smllr Cos	177.68	189.02*	+1.57	..
Japanese	108.33	115.24*	-0.31	..
Pacific	251.43	267.48	+0.11	0.05
South East Asian	272.90	290.32	+0.83	0.26
Intl Bond	126.84	134.85*	+0.89	4.76
Gilt & Convertible	100.04	106.34	+0.18	6.82
Property	87.14	92.70	+0.14	4.97

PEARL UNIT TRUSTS LTD
Pearl Centre, Lynch Wd, Peterborough PE2 6FY Dlg: 0800 626 577 Enq: 0733 470 470

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Equity	239.60	254.90	+2.00	2.36
Growth	153.50	161.50	+0.90	2.49
Income	240.50	255.80	+1.80	3.54
Intl Equity	256.00	272.30	+0.60	0.71
UK Income	65.93	70.14	+0.46	3.20
UK Intl 25	79.34	84.39	+0.52	1.80
New Europe	80.78	85.94	+0.27	0.11

PERPETUAL UNIT TST MGMT
48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames 0491 417 000

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Intl Gwth	614.52	657.25	+3.15	0.45
Income	331.53	354.58	+1.21	3.59
Wwide Recovery	390.04	417.16	+1.86	0.25
Amer Growth Inc	213.22	228.05	+0.59	0.01
Intl Emerging Cos	250.86	268.30	+0.82	0.13
Far Estn Grth Inc	311.71	333.39	+0.88	0.14
Euro Gwth Inc	145.14	155.23	+0.69	0.66
UK Growth Inc	84.44	90.32	+0.27	2.74
High Income	90.81	97.13*	+0.16	4.21
Jap Gwth Inc	260.41	277.23	+0.11	0.01
PEP Growth	120.56	128.95	+0.71	0.81
Asian Sir Mkts Inc	132.11	141.30	+0.41	0.01
Amer Smlr Co Inc	123.64	132.24	+0.47	0.01
Global Bond	54.51	57.30	-0.25	5.73
UK Smaller Cos Inc	79.39	84.91*	+0.03	1.20

PILGRIM UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD
39 Pilgrim Street, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 6RQ 091 201 3927

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American	98.79	105.10	-0.70	..
European	70.62	75.13	-0.67	..
Global	68.23	72.58	-0.32	..
Pacific	69.25	73.67	-0.39	..
UK Inc & Grth	65.06	69.23	-0.12	2.00

POINTON YORK UT MGRS
The Crescent, King St, Leicester LE1 6RX 0533 550 540

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
BRI Director Digs	102.27	108.92	+1.18	0.35

PORTFOLIO FUND MGMT LTD
1 White Hart Yard, London SE1 1NX 071 407 5966

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Portfolio	159.22	167.60*	-1.03	0.63

PREMIUM LIFE UNIT TST MGRS LTD
37 Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458 721

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Monthly Income	58.56	62.07	+0.53	2.45
Growth Income	63.47	67.27	-0.13	1.72

PRINCIPAL UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD
16 South Park, Sevenoaks TN13 1AN 0732 740 700

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Principal Tst	129.40	138.11*	+0.15	1.73

PROLIFIC UNIT TST MGRS LTD
Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook, EC4N 8LD
Enquiries: 071 280 3700 Dealing: 0800 262 443

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American Income	92.64	98.55*	-0.29	3.44
Conv & Gilt	117.20	124.70	..	5.86
European Income	76.26	81.13	+0.13	2.71
Extra Income	151.40	161.10	+0.80	3.78
Far East	431.10	458.70	+0.40	0.25
Global Income	26.13	27.80*	-0.15	4.41
High Income	117.80	125.30	-0.40	3.38
International	217.70	231.60	+1.00	0.51
Pref & Fxd Int	41.26	43.89*	+0.16	7.45
Recovery	76.74	81.64	-0.31	2.34
Special Sits	106.80	113.70	-0.50	1.23
Technology	309.80	329.50	+3.40	..
UK Blue Chip	69.67	74.11	+0.73	2.78

PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD
1 Sessions Hse Sq, Maidstone ME14 1XX 0622 674 751

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
General	52.53	55.88	+0.48	2.13
International	92.55	98.46	+0.41	0.36
Gilt	23.20	23.92*	-0.01	6.83
Income & Gwth	70.66	75.17*	+0.52	5.32
European	52.63	55.99	+0.41	0.42
American	52.37	55.71*	+0.49	..
Emerging Mkts	91.50	97.34*	+0.49	0.06
UK Smaller Cos	29.84	31.74	+0.05	2.21
Gilt/Fixed Interest	24.88	26.47	+0.01	6.68
Global PEP	39.99	42.54	-0.27	1.15

PROVIDENCE CAPITOL FD MGRS LTD
2 Bartley Way, Hook, Hants RG27 9XA 0256 768 588

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
European Inc	269.30	290.90	-1.80	0.77
Japan Inc	121.70	130.00	-0.30	..
Nth American Inc	105.70	114.30*	+0.90	0.12
Worldwide Inc	169.50	182.30	+0.60	0.70
Hong Kong Inc	148.70	159.70*	+0.50	0.20
Swiss Equities Inc	67.06	71.92	+0.56	0.36
Wwide Bond Inc	59.27	62.70	+0.11	5.55
Emging Asia Inc	218.40	237.20	+0.20	0.42
UK Money Mkt Inc	50.07	50.07*	+0.01	4.93
Thailand Inc	167.50	180.40	+3.80	0.72
Gold Trust Inc	77.86	84.08*	-0.49	0.15
New Zealand Inc	88.53	95.15	+1.78	1.15
Int Mngd PEP Inc	66.49	71.62	+0.38	1.69
Latin Am Cmp Inc	89.44	96.35	+0.42	0.03
UK All Sh Mirr Inc	57.92	62.19	+0.58	2.16
Broker Unit Trusts				
Global Trustees	81.25	86.90	-0.56	1.45
Global Portfolio	73.06	79.14	-0.47	..
Global Opps	74.87	80.07	-0.53	0.43
Marsh Global Grth	69.18	73.12	-1.57	1.87
AAM Global Equity	56.57	60.18	-0.36	0.76
CAM Brit Gwth Inc	88.50	95.20	+0.93	0.94
CAM Int Recy Inc				
Temple Equity Inc	46.20	50.34*	+0.24	2.85
Harley Growth	77.77	82.73	+0.52	0.56
Intl Growth Inc	84.73	90.62	+0.14	1.46
IPS Portfolio Inc	88.77	94.94	+0.24	0.21
St Jms Mn Inc Inc	47.20	48.64	+0.01	2.65
Premier Ferims Inc	67.86	72.56*	-0.41	0.93
Roxborgh Strat Gth	74.16	79.32	+0.18	0.34
Tech Analysis	102.50	109.00	+0.40	0.31
Rosebery Growth	46.99	51.06	+0.31	..
International Strat	78.78	84.26	-0.57	..
UFC Ind-Act Grth	55.52	59.62	-0.40	..
Coverdale Topous	52.23	56.54	-0.26	..
Prem Equity Inc	108.70	114.40	..	..
Lowes Intl Growth	47.57	50.07*	-0.16	1.15

PROVIDENT MUTUAL UT MGRS LTD
25-31 Moorgate, London EC2R 6BA 071 588 3903

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Equity Gth	171.70	182.70	+0.50	1.59
European Gth	99.23	105.10	-0.40	0.15
Income & Gth	135.30	143.90	+0.80	2.80
Japan Gth	134.10	142.30	+0.10	..
Nth Amer Gth	112.30	119.50	+0.80	0.16
Overseas Gth	91.16	96.86	+0.09	..

PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD
51-69 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL
081 478 3377 Client Enq: 071 911 4490 Intermed dlg: 071 911 4314 Pricebank: 0426 925 091

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Managed Tst	37.13	39.71	+0.14	1.48
Cash Haven Inc	100.86	101.36*	+0.03	3.80
Cash Haven Acc	109.58	110.12*	+0.03	3.80
Dist Trust Inc	94.54	101.11*	+0.45	4.32
Dist Trust Acc	95.57	102.17*	+0.46	4.32
Global Growth	89.15	95.34*	+0.60	1.15
Equity Inc	83.05	88.82*	+0.69	3.56
Equity	716.70	766.52	+7.12	2.74
European	211.86	226.56	+1.74	0.73
High Income	88.10	94.22	+0.59	4.82
Intl Grth	182.50	195.18*	+0.64	0.84
Intl Sm Co	79.95	85.50	-0.05	0.31
Japanese	242.05	258.87	-0.01	..
Nth Amer	160.51	171.66	+0.96	1.76
Pacific Mkts	106.94	114.37*	+0.11	0.73
Premier Inc	45.95	47.83*	+0.10	4.88
Sm Cos	89.87	96.11	+0.11	1.46
Spec Sits	108.34	115.87*	+1.00	2.38
UK Growth	119.32	127.61*	+1.24	2.54

RELIANCE UNIT MGRS LTD
Reliance House, Tunbridge Wells, Kent 0892 510 033

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
British Life	305.60	324.10	+2.40	3.17

ROCK ASSET MGMT (UNIT TRUST) LTD
Bulman House, Regent Centre, Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne NE3 3NG 091 285 2555

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Managed	97.55	103.50	..	3.02

ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT
St Swithin's Lane, London EC4
Dealers: 071 280 5000

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
FA America (Inc)	499.96	532.54*	+2.76	0.51
FA America (Acc)	585.75	623.92	+3.23	0.51
FA UK Equity Inc	156.04	166.51	+1.30	3.46
FA Japan	206.35	215.57	-0.08	..
FA Major UK Cos	94.13	100.40*	+0.95	2.33
FA Smllr UK Cos	296.36	322.21	+0.59	0.91
FA European	321.74	341.60	+0.69	0.47
FA Amer Smllr Cos	43.29	46.44	+0.26	..
FA Asia	51.24	54.95	+0.20	..
FA Jap Smllr Cos	61.17	65.45	-0.45	..
RAM Personal Pension				
UK Major Cos	93.85	96.78	+0.91	..
UK Smllr Cos	84.50	86.94	+0.17	..
UK Income	91.75	96.57	+0.75	..
America	100.50	105.75	+1.55	..
Japanese	65.06	66.50	-0.21	..
European	102.75	108.15	+0.22	..
Gilt	82.64	86.96	+0.23	..
Deposit	52.53	55.61	+0.04	..
Managed	97.58	103.02	+0.59	..
RAM FSAVC Scheme				
UK Major Cos	91.45	96.26	+0.90	..
UK Smaller Cos	82.66	87.00	+0.17	..
UK Income	89.94	94.30	+0.74	..
America	97.94	103.09	+1.54	..
Japanese	63.45	66.76	-0.20	..
European	100.19	105.45	+0.22	..
Gilt	81.51	85.80	+0.23	..
Deposit	77.56	81.64	+0.03	..
Managed	93.03	97.92	+0.68	..

ROYAL LIFE FD MGMT LTD
PO Box 34, Peterborough PE2 0UE
Prices: 0733 282 828 Gen Enq: 0733 390 000
Dealing: 0733 393 000

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
United States	73.66	78.69	+0.31	0.11
Pacific Basin	88.66	95.08	-0.34	..
High Inc Dist	127.70	136.50	+0.90	4.88
Rvl Life Int Cmty	58.35	62.04	+0.14	3.82
Rvl Life Intl Gwth	69.70	74.45*	+0.02	0.32
Rvl Life Intl Spec	65.94	70.03	-0.34	..
UK Emerging Cos	125.70	135.80	-0.10	1.13
UK Index Trckg	163.60	174.30	+0.80	3.18
European	130.20	140.20	+0.30	0.27
Managed	146.80	157.90	+0.20	0.81

ROYAL LONDON UNIT TST MGRS LTD
Royal Ldn Hse, Colchester CO1 1RA 0206 764 400

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American Growth	141.20	149.50*	+1.00	0.34
European Growth	112.60	119.20*	+1.10	0.65
Gilt & Fixed Int	137.70	146.50*	-1.30	6.23
Japan Growth	154.50	164.30	-0.80	..
Special Sits	193.90	206.30	+0.60	1.29
UK Growth	75.98	80.62	+0.05	2.25
Triton General	242.80	258.40	+1.60	0.62

ST JAMES'S PLACE UT GROUP LTD
150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NS 041 307 6500

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Far East Inc	181.60	192.20	-1.00	0.28
Gtr Euro Prog Inc	339.10	359.80	+1.60	0.11
Growth Inc	131.40	139.00	+0.60	0.41
International Inc	336.80	356.40	+1.80	0.14
Nth Am & Intl Inc	313.00	331.50	+2.50	0.19
UK Gen Prog Inc	214.50	227.00	+2.10	1.25
UK High Inc Inc	134.80	142.60	+0.60	3.81

SANWA INTL INVEST SERVICES LTD
City Place Hse, 55 Basinghall St EC2V 5DJ 071 330 0572

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American Gwth	64.25	68.35	+0.85	..
Amer Smllr Cos	79.27	84.32	+0.87	..
Asian Gwth	119.29	126.90	+0.79	0.75
European Gwth	70.51	75.01	+0.50	1.00
Global Bd	58.03	61.36	+0.07	5.00
Global Eq	68.65	73.02	+0.21	0.50
Japanese Eq	63.52	67.57	-0.01	..
Japan Sm Cos	75.01	79.79	-0.10	..
UK Gen	53.69	57.12	+0.39	2.80
UK Gwth	58.31	62.02	+0.12	1.75

SAVE & PROSPER GROUP
16-22 Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 0708 766 966

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Amer Inc & Gwth	67.06	71.33	+0.22	4.20
Amer Smllr Cos	102.60	109.40	+0.60	..
Asian Smaller Cos	51.94	55.15	-0.15	..
Capital Portfolio	129.80	137.00	+1.20	2.23
Capital	165.60	176.20	+0.60	0.41
Cash	123.90	123.90	..	4.49
China Dragon	65.68	69.87	+0.08	0.36
Commodity	134.40	143.00	+0.20	0.51
Eastern Discovery	110.50	117.60	-0.70	..
Energy Inds	132.10	140.50	+0.20	0.36
European Gwth	191.60	204.00	+2.0	0.03
Euro Inc & Gwth	77.68	82.85*	-0.10	1.98
Euro Smllr Cos	54.33	57.80	-0.12	..
Financial Secs	197.50	210.10	+0.40	0.57
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	48.03	50.64	-0.28	8.91
Gold & Exploration	85.47	90.93	-0.11	..
High Return	228.00	242.60*	+0.90	4.20
High Yield	230.40	245.10	+1.60	3.82
Income	119.80	127.50*	+0.90	4.25
Intl Bond	160.70	169.90	-0.40	5.69
ITU	211.70	225.20	+0.70	0.69
Japan Growth	199.80	212.50	-0.10	..
Japan Smaller	233.20	248.10	-0.80	..
Korea	76.08	80.94	-0.68	..
Masterfund	57.98	61.66	+0.32	0.54
Scotbits	296.70	315.60*	+0.50	0.75
Scotshares	287.70	306.10	+2.10	2.36
Scotfields	245.90	261.60	+2.30	3.01
Select Intl	148.60	158.10	+0.20	0.43
Smaller Cos Inc	256.70	275.20	+0.40	3.30
SE Asia	606.70	645.40	-6.20	..
Special Situation	123.70	131.60	+1.0	1.48
UK Equity	243.60	259.10*	+2.50	2.80
UK Growth	63.42	67.47	+0.53	1.55
UK Smllr Cos Gwth	48.39	51.48	-0.10	0.68
US Growth	142.20	151.30	+1.10	0.41
Univ Growth	146.90	156.20	+0.10	0.68

SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS LTD
Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria St EC4V 4EJ Client: 0800 526 535 Broker: 0800 526 540 General Enquiries: 071 382 3808

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Retail Funds				
American	242.11	257.92	-1.36	0.78
European Gwth	75.02	79.99	+0.48	0.86
Euro Smllr Cos	77.60	82.77	+0.49	0.19
Far Eastern Gth	103.10	109.81	+0.15	..
Gilt & Fixed Int	49.19	51.86	-0.09	7.42
Global Bond	48.70	50.37*	-0.04	6.38
Global Emer Mkts	59.37	63.22	+0.23	..
Income	352.94	376.46	+2.24	3.61
Japan Smllr Cos	571.66	609.79	-0.25	..
Japan Enterprise	78.56	83.79	+0.03	..
Pacific Gwth	141.88	151.23*	+1.06	0.03
Seoul	53.51	57.94	+0.17	..
Smaller Cos	213.11	226.25	+0.55	0.77
Tokyo	135.41	144.43	+0.18	..
UK Enterprise	248.74	265.32*	+1.63	2.21
UK Equity	237.30	253.12*	+1.64	2.39
US Smllr Cos	150.37	160.39	+0.74	..
World Fd	80.12	85.54*	+0.40	1.72
Institutional Funds				
European	234.16	247.01*	+1.16	1.24
Euro Smllr Cos	30.46	31.72	-0.04	1.60
Global Equity Inc	79.20	82.49	+0.37	0.67
Japan Smllr Cos	44.85	46.71*	+0.26	..
Mngd Balanced	186.86	194.64	+0.86	2.56
Overseas Equity	193.63	201.69*	+0.33	0.74
Oseas Smllr Cos	132.06	137.56	+0.09	0.31
Pacific	262.90	273.85	+1.08	1.10
Recovery	£19.00	£19.80*	+4.90	2.61
UK Index	154.10	160.52	+1.35	3.17
UK Small Cos	117.45	122.37	+0.25	2.44
US Smllr Cos	43.25	45.05	+0.22	0.33

SCOTTISH AMICABLE UT MGRS LTD
150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ 041 204 2200

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Equity Income	49.31	52.52	+0.08	2.97
Equity Trust	59.79	63.68	+0.08	3.82
Equity Strategy	68.63	73.09	+0.01	1.56
European Opps	88.59	94.35	+0.96	0.61
UK Smaller Cos	63.36	67.48	+0.12	1.01
Maximum Inc	97.87	100.41	+0.03	5.44
Japanese	89.03	94.82	-0.64	..
Asia Pacific	133.27	141.93	+0.57	0.59
American	98.61	105.23	+0.89	0.36

SCOTTISH EQUITABLE FD MGRS LTD
28 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh 0800 454 422

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Cash	30.37	30.37	+0.01	4.588
UK General Inc	51.32	54.74	+0.41	2.72
Intl Income	290.70	310.10*	+0.50	1.01
European	79.91	84.67*	+0.11	1.47
Japan	76.43	80.88	-0.27	0.04
American	64.48	68.49	+0.33	2.02
Far East	94.69	101.00*	+0.76	0.76
Ethical Inc	30.77	32.91	+0.13	2.12
UK Blue Chip Inc	33.10	35.42	+0.29	2.71
High Inc Inc	36.72	39.17*	+0.33	3.54
UK Global Inc	41.27	44.06	+0.14	1.47
Wwide Tact	75.96	81.24	+0.13	0.71
Europe 300 Tact	54.26	57.65*	+0.28	1.33
Technology	101.34	108.10	+0.31	0.97

SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS
19 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh 031 225 2211

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK Equity	377.60	403.70	+4.00	2.90
American	254.40	270.30	+2.20	0.10
Pacific	419.40	448.60	-0.10	0.35
European	540.00	577.50	+3.80	1.14
Worldwide	90.32	96.60	+0.39	0.60

SCOTTISH MUTUAL INV MGRS LTD
109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6100

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK Equity Inc	271.10	296.70	-3.70	2.17
UK Sir Co Eq Inc	196.20	210.90	-0.70	1.55
Select Opptnty Inc	66.48	71.11	+0.43	2.21
Income Plus Inc	73.48	78.18	+0.73	3.64
European Inc	352.70	375.30	+3.10	1.06
Far Eastern Inc	186.70	196.70	+0.50	0.72
Japanese Inc	69.67	74.12	-0.34	
Nth American Inc	237.80	253.00	+2.30	0.59
Intl Growth Inc	207.70	221.00	+0.70	0.73
Wwide Venture Inc	81.44	86.61	+0.30	0.70

SCOTTISH WIDOWS' FUND MGMT
PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031 668 3724

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Equity Inc	368.00	392.40	-0.60	2.75
UK High Inc	188.50	201.00	-0.30	3.57
Europe Inc	353.00	376.40	-4.10	0.41
Nth Amer Inc	209.90	223.90	+1.90	0.24
Global Inc	213.50	227.70	-0.90	0.37
UK Spec Sits Inc	101.80	108.60	..	2.94
South East Asia	246.50	262.90	-0.20	0.46
Cash Trust Inc	100.70	101.70	..	4.37
UK Smlr Cos Inc	105.80	112.80	..	1.88
Intl Bond Inc	88.18	93.62	-0.40	6.28

SEMPER EADEM FUND MGMT LTD
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex
Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Sector Recovery	150.40	158.00*	+0.50	4.22

SHARP (ALBERT E) & CO
5 Rayleigh Rd Hutton, Brentwood Essex
Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
European	125.30	131.90*	-0.20	0.40
Nth American	98.90	104.10*	-0.70	0.44
Intl Bond & Conv	124.30	130.80	-0.40	4.74
Pooled Pension (£)	187.70	201.60	..	2.07
Smaller Cos	71.96	75.75	+0.25	1.35
UK General	126.70	133.40	-1.30	2.02

For Sheppards see Mayflower

SINGER & FRIEDLANDER INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD
21 New St, London EC2M 2HR 071 626 6226

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Amer Gth Fund‡	93.40	..	+0.47	..
Aztec‡	110.40	..	+1.40	..
European‡	124.10	..	-0.50	..
Global Bond‡	94.27	..	-0.09	7.94
Samurai‡	106.20	..	+0.10	..
UK Growth‡	106.50	..	+0.60	.23
Tai Pan‡	107.00	..	+0.10	..

SMITH & WILLIAMSON UT MGRS
1 Riding House St, London W1A 3AS 071 637 5377

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American	271.40	287.20	-2.40	0.41
Canadian	73.68	77.97	-1.34	0.29
Capital	128.70	139.20*	-1.00	1.11
Cash	101.37	101.37	..	4.75
European	134.60	142.40	-0.90	0.66
Far Eastern	180.60	191.90	-1.50	..
Growth	138.80	146.80	-0.90	1.07
Income	132.70	140.40	-0.10	4.65
Magnum	137.70	147.80	-1.00	1.12
Smllr Secs	380.80	402.90	-0.30	0.82
Thoroughbred	160.40	172.30*	-1.10	1.02

SOVEREIGN UNIT TST MGRS LTD
12 Christchurch Rd, Bournemouth 0202 298 422

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Cash	50.01	50.51	+0.01	4.11
Cnstid Primnce	55.77	59.49*	+0.08	8.0
Ethical	55.43	58.97	+0.36	3.00
European Growth	74.42	79.36*	+0.20	2.40
Income	55.64	59.34	+0.45	5.00
Intl Growth	100.60	107.30	+0.70	2.60
Managed	52.59	56.10*	+0.27	3.40
UK Growth	61.46	65.56*	+0.54	3.30

STANDARD LIFE TST MGMT LTD
3 George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 0800 393 777

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Managed Acc	50.79	53.97	-0.30	1.48
UK Equity Gth Acc	67.56	71.79	-0.10	1.36
-do- High Inc Inc	37.30	39.64	..	3.61
-do- High Inc Acc	45.23	48.06	..	3.61
UK Equity Gen Acc	61.55	65.40	+0.10	2.21
UK Equity Gen Inc	46.06	48.96	+0.10	2.21
UK Lrgr Co Acc	438.20	464.60	+0.30	3.41
UK Lrgr Co Inc	322.40	340.90	-0.40	3.41
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	29.63	31.34	-0.10	6.84
Oseas Lrg Co Acc	315.30	346.30	-0.90	1.48
Nth American Acc	43.47	46.14	-0.10	0.54
Far East Acc	73.26	77.87	-1.20	0.04
European Acc	52.52	55.81	-2.40	0.73

STATE STREET UT MGMT LTD
25 King Street, London SW1 6QW 071 344 7000

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Global A (NZ$)	3.859	4.105		0.45
US Eqs (US$)	2.404	2.552		0.54
Far East Eqs (yen)	267.20	283.40		
Japan Eqties (yen)	272.50	289.60		
FT Europe	126.90	134.70		1.48
FT N Amer (US$)	1.755	1.862		0.77
FT Japan (yen)	247.60	263.20		
FT Asia ExJap (US$)	2.593	2.759		0.06

STEWART IVORY UNIT TST MGRS LTD
45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 226 3271

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American	346.50	371.60	+3.00	0.06
British	£10.32	£10.92	+1.20	3.37
Emerging Mkts	169.00	181.60	+1.30	
European	554.60	590.60	+4.10	0.90
Japan	174.70	185.40	-1.00	.
New Pacific	408.90	436.90	-3.90	0.60
Investment Tst	234.90	249.00	+0.70	1.32
Mngd Equity	176.10	186.30*	-1.30	1.36
Mngd Cash	95.50	95.50*	+0.05	4.30

SUN ALLIANCE UNIT TST MGMT LTD
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex
Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 690 399

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Equity	829.70	882.00	+7.90	3.01
North America	121.50	129.90	+0.70	0.40
Far East	159.70	170.80	-0.10	.
Wwide Bond	56.45	59.93	+0.23	5.55
European	106.60	114.00	+1.00	0.25
Equity Income	92.02	98.42	+1.00	4.23
Portfolio	86.23	92.22	+0.58	1.00
UK Leading Cos	59.17	62.95	+0.70	2.45
Broker Trusts				
Intnl Equity	70.42	79.32*	-0.41	.

SUN LIFE OF CANADA UT MGRS LTD
Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants 0800 525 725

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American Growth	34.24	36.63	+0.26	0.44
Managed Assets	127.15	135.99*	+1.06	2.66
UK Income	40.36	43.17	+0.41	3.41
UK Growth	39.55	42.31	+0.43	2.68
Worldwide Growth	36.23	38.86	+0.15	0.53

SUN LIFE TRUST MGMT LTD
101, Cannon St, London EC4N 5AD
Admin & Enq: 071 606 4044 Dlg: 071 606 6010

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Discretionary	50.90	54.15	-0.23	0.15
Cap Protector Inc	42.70	45.67	+0.16	2.92
UK Income Inc	50.99	54.53*	+0.16	3.42
Mngd Extra Inc Inc	32.59	34.86*	-0.09	3.86
Mngd High Yld Inc	79.36	84.58*	+0.31	4.72
Mngd Inc Gth Inc	75.30	80.53	+0.23	3.29
Mngd Wwide Gth	37.80	40.43	-0.14	.
UK Smaller Cos	35.26	37.71	+0.08	1.55
Pacific Grth Port	49.72	53.18	-0.07	.

TSB UNIT TRUSTS
Charlton Pl, Andover, Hants SP10 1RE 0264 346 794

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
American	202.03	214.92*	-2.52	..
Brit Growth	96.48	102.63	+0.96	2.02
European	113.45	120.69	+1.46	0.09
Extra Income	201.62	214.49	+4.66	1.46
Smaller Cos	73.66	78.37	+0.05	1.27
General	283.96	302.11*	+4.65	2.25
Premier Income	45.96	51.00*	+0.46	6.35
Income	342.66	364.74	+5.39	3.49
Pacific	456.20	497.45	+2.53	
International	563.93	599.93	+2.29	0.12
Nat Resources	175.49	186.69	+1.77	0.09
Sktd Opps	108.26	115.17	-1.95	1.22
Environmental Inv	63.06	67.72	-0.22	2.03
Selector	64.99	69.14	-0.44	2.12
High Income	63.90	67.97*	-0.40	4.40
Intl Income	57.68	61.36	+0.28	4.90
Selector Income	61.67	65.61	+0.33	4.97

TU FUND MANAGERS LIMITED
NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 667 1018

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
British	330.90	345.20	+3.20	2.64

TEMPLETON UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD
Saltire Court, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2EH 031 469 4000

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Glob Growth Inc	203.29	217.55*	+1.37	1.56
Glob Balncd Inc	173.27	185.31	+1.32	2.92
Value Tst Inc	123.91	132.58*	+0.91	1.37

THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD
33 Queen Street, London EC4R 1AX 071 246 3000 Dealing: 071 246 3001

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Amer Smllr Cos	62.55	66.72	+0.45	
Dresdner Eur Bd	40.14	42.26	+0.39	6.10
European Growth	277.96	295.37	+3.21	0.90
Exempt	526.12	550.11*	+4.36	3.50
Global Em Mkts	110.61	117.96	+1.78	0.60
Iberian Growth	47.06	50.19	+0.14	
Japan Tst	93.77	99.82	-0.21	
Little Dragons	95.44	105.00	+0.55	
Nth Amer Gwth	219.40	233.81*	+2.12	0.70
Oriental Income	50.41	53.60	+0.06	4.60
Preference	121.70	130.16	+1.67	5.40
Tiger	296.80	316.37	+0.47	
UK Blue Chip	61.99	66.10	+0.69	3.00
UK Growth	511.24	546.75*	+3.05	2.20
UK High Yield	105.54	112.08*	+0.94	3.40
UK Mid-Cap	266.89	285.44	+2.30	1.90
UK Smllr Cos	102.91	109.95	+0.17	1.10
UK Smlr Cos Div	98.52	105.68*	+0.49	4.60

WAVERLEY UNIT TST MGMT LTD
13 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 225 1551

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Australasian Gold	31.20	33.19	+0.63	
Pacific Basin	43.65	46.43	+0.12	
Can Balncd Gwth	27.41	29.15	+0.01	
Global Bond (US$)	0.87	0.90	+0.00	5.76
Penny Share	32.26	34.34	+0.06	0.30

WHITTINGDALE UNIT TST MGMT LTD
2 Honey Lane, London EC2V 8BT 071 600 0462

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Challenger	90.77	92.57	+0.92	
Short Did Gilt	107.50	109.90	+0.30	
US Govt Bd (US$)	0.73	0.74	+0.00	
Gilt Income	49.77	50.75	+0.36	7.25
Gilt Growth	66.99	69.72	+0.00	
Cash Reserve	52.79	52.79	..	4.30

WOOLWICH UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD
2 Whitt Oak Square, Swanley BR8 7AG 081 298 4000

Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Stocksmarket Fd	74.67	79.66	+0.05	1.95

Source: Finstat
* Yield expressed as CAR - Compound Annual Return. ‡ Ex dividend. ‡ Middle price. .. No significant data.

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BY RODNEY HOBSON

SMALL business advisers, including bankers, solicitors and accountants, have a long way to go in doing their jobs properly, according to a survey in the South East by Levy Gee, chartered accountants.

Many smaller businesses still feel their bankers are out of touch, the survey found. Banks fail to get to know their clients' businesses and do not understand the cash flow cycles, it is claimed. Only 34 per cent had been visited regularly by their bank managers. Levy Gee says: "There was also an impassioned plea for bankers to base their judgment about a business on performance, not collateral."

Three-quarters of businesses surveyed believed their bankers demonstrated insufficient knowledge of their industry and that 60 per cent of bankers and solicitors did not understand how the business operated. Part of the reason was that restructuring at branch and regional level had disrupted the continuity of the relationship. But Levy Gee says there is evidence that the relationship has started to improve as the rate of staff changes slows.

Businesses also complain that although many banks agree fees in advance, up to a third do not explain how they are calculated. Accountants are no better at explaining fees and are said to be patronising and expensive, while trying to blind clients with jargon.

Solicitors have an arrogance that should not have survived the recession — but it did. They are reluctant to admit if they do not have a particular expertise in-house and are generally very poor at keeping clients informed of legal issues affecting the business.

☐ Small businesses need to keep an average of £10,500 in the bank to earn enough interest to cover charges, research by Tyndall Bank shows. Only two years ago, £5,000 was sufficient. Tyndall has found wide discrepancies in charges and interest earned by Britain's 2 million small businesses operating in credit. Smaller banks were more likely to offer transactions free of charge. Among larger banks, the highest individual charge was 67p a cheque, standing order or direct debit.



"Oh yes, I have expanded — I've bought myself some more worry beads!"

French properties draw rents

BY JESSICA GORST-WILLIAMS

HOLIDAYS in France, the business which Martin Sturge set up 19 years ago, gives him a lifestyle as well as making ends meet. "I work six and a half, or seven days, a week and I am usually on the phone from eight in the morning until ten at night," he says. "I may receive 40 to 120 phone calls on a Sunday. Holidays are so important. They are the time when you patch up relationships and re-become a human being. It is a privilege to dispense that."

He lets properties at rents which range from under £200 a week in low season to more than £4,000 in high season, but at the beginning it was different. Mr Sturge, now 55, was working as financial controller for a large clothing manufacturer in Paris in 1976 when some friends asked his advice about letting some houses. "I put some adverts in the English papers and booked all four houses rock solid," he says. "It wasn't done for reward."

They suggested he should set up in a small way, renting out properties as an agent, concentrating on the Lot region in France. "I still kept my other job, but worked at this in my spare time."

To create a house style for the business, he drew every property on his books. "It can take a couple of days, with interruptions", to do the plan, then describe it and draw the property. Houses rented out increased from 12 in 1977 to 51 in 1979 and then to 86 in 1980.

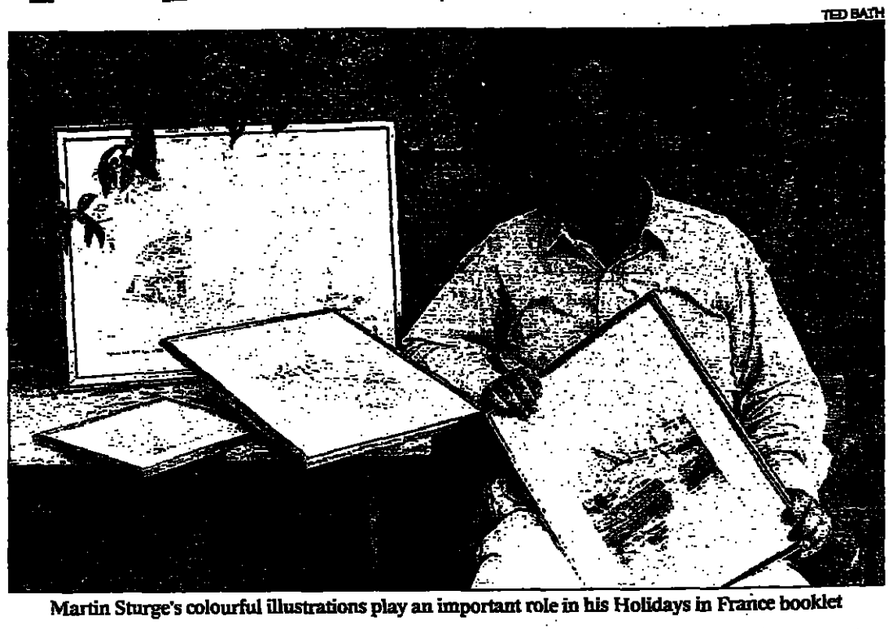
That year Mr Sturge gave up his job in Paris and opened a small office in Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset, and another in Holland and then, in 1981, moved the British office to Bath.

By 1982 he had 131 properties to rent. Almost all Mr Sturge's tenants are English, although about 50 families a year come from The Netherlands and a few from the United States. "Once Russia really opens up, I might use my Russian and look for clients from there," he says. Advertising is the main generator of business, though the company does have a high percentage of return business.

Mr Sturge says: "Our main problem involves things like broken chairs and unpaid electricity. Often one can't be sure what really happened. So sometimes I bear the brunt of the cost of replacing things. That comes to around £2,000 a year." Printing the booklet costs about £10,000, advertising around £40,000 a year. He now has about 250 properties on his books, but activity has been "pretty static" over the past five years, with a downturn in 1993.

This year has seen a slight improvement, with a greater demand for more sophisticated properties with facilities such as swimming pools, although the number of bookings has been slightly fewer. Takings, said Mr Sturge, are "not vastly up".

TED BATH



Martin Sturge's colourful illustrations play an important role in his Holidays in France booklet

BRIEFINGS

A warning about a new wave of "cowboy" operators offering smaller businesses help to reduce business rate liabilities, has come from the three key professional bodies — the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS), the Incorporated Society of Auctioneers and Valuers and the Institute of Revenues, Rating and Valuation. The RICS says the "cowboys" collect "advance" fees, pocket them and cease trading. Most imply rates can be successfully appealed, when in fact this is usually far from the case. Go to a member of one of the three professional bodies, says the RICS.

☐ New business growth has been achieved in a Shropshire Training and Enterprise Council pilot scheme involving ten firms, each of them employing fewer than 25 people. Sales and marketing support was given for a nominal £195, although they subsequently contributed a 2.5 per cent levy on all new business. Average turnover was doubled and six more full-time and six part-time jobs were needed. The scheme is being extended to 170 other businesses in the Shropshire and Hereford and Worcester area. Details from Business Link (0800 104010).

☐ Smaller businesses recovery remained steady in the second quarter, says the Association of British Factors & Discounters. Members' clients secured sales of £5.7 billion, almost 19 per cent up. But members' bad debts rose to £3.8 million against a first-quarter £2.3 million.

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EDINBURGH FESTIVAL: **John Russell Taylor** continues his survey of the galleries; plus music and Fringe theatre

Inspiration rises in the East



Although German Romanticism and French Impressionism hog much of the limelight among the exhibitions at the Edinburgh Festival, there are two other countries prominently on display: Turkey and, of course, Scotland.

Edinburgh would not be Edinburgh if the Festival did not bring out a number of exhibitions devoted to Scottish artists. Turkey, though, comes as a surprise. Originally **Visions of the Ottoman Empire** was planned to coincide with a large exhibition devoted to Turkish life and art, providing a counterpart to show how the Ottoman Empire was perceived by Western artists. With the Turkish exhibition cancelled, the Scottish National Portrait Gallery show stands admirably by itself, inscribed in a different context: that of the Louvre's "Egyptomania" show earlier this year.

"Visions of the Ottoman Empire" does have at least one work in common with the Louvre show: E.J. Poynter's *Israel in Egypt*, which holds the record for being, in real terms, the most expensive painting bought from a living artist. It is large and crowded with figures, and evokes wonder mainly in consideration of the man-hours which must have gone into its making. It is a favourable expression of the Orientalist impulse in paint, and comes immediately before the room of 19th-century photographs of Bible lands, some of which must have served Poynter as a crib.

That is what many of the photographs were meant for: aids to artists who could not see the exotic sights for themselves. Even if this were the prime purpose, many of the works of earlier photographers such as Du Camp and Salzmann are magical in themselves.

Many of the most vivid paintings in the show also come from a direct experience of the countries and people. Holman Hunt made several expeditions to the Middle East to get his details right, and it shows in the hallucinatory intensity of the results. But even more vivid, being less self-conscious, are John Frederick Lewis's evocations of life in mid-19th-century Egypt, many of them painted on the spot during his long residence in Cairo and the rest from memory and sketchbooks after he returned home.

Nor is the Scottish input to be forgotten. Apart from David Roberts, a topographical artist who constantly transcends topography by sheer force of vision, there are some unexpectedly effective works on Ottoman themes by Wilkie.

But the real glories of the show are nearly all foreign. Among the earliest, a portrait by Bellini of a Turkish potentate and, later on a superb selection by the two great rival artists of early 19th-century France: Delacroix and Ingres, both very different yet at one in their fascination with a half-real, half-mythologised orient. The show is not to be missed, if only for the chance to see Delacroix's splendidly dashing oil sketch for *The Death of Sardanapalus*, with its great Romantic swirls of colour.



The "bone structure of the landscape" in *In Ardnamurchan* (1936), by William Gillies



Robert Louis Stevenson's booty in "Treasure Islands" (left); *Portions of the Interior of the Grand Mosque of Damascus* by Lord Leighton in "Visions of the Ottoman Empire"

Scottish art makes a more modest showing. The most striking of the three shows at the City Arts Centre is called **The Colourist Legacy**, and assembles some 70 works from the city's art collection demonstrating a clear continuity from the 1890s up until now. From the beginning of the 20th century the famous quartet of Peploe, Cadell, Hunter and Fergusson were noted for the brilliance of their Post-Impressionist colours, held in check and set off by their taste for strong black outlines.

But even before them, the so-called Glasgow Boys, such as Henry and Hornel, deployed a dazzling palette, and after them the Edinburgh School of the war, and immediately postwar, years — isolated figures such as the Expressionist landscape painter Joan Eardley, and right up to our own time painters such as Barbara Rae — seem to maintain the tradition. I once asked Rae if she thought the brilliant colours of so much Scottish art were a reaction to the greyness of the Scottish scene. "What greyness?" she replied. "All any Scottish artist has to do is look around. The colours are everywhere." They are certainly glowing on the walls of the gallery.

Not so much, oddly, in the **William Gillies** show at the Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art. The watercolours of Scotland by Gillies (1898-1973) often bear out Rae's observation about the country's colours, but Gillies as a watercolourist is more interested in other things. The bone structure of the landscape, for instance; the atmosphere of the time and place; the sheer delight of moving washes across the paper. In this respect Gillies belongs to the broad tradition of British watercolour. It is probably significant that among the most striking images in the show is *March, Moorfoot* (1951), which evokes a winter scene in black, white and grey.

The principal Scottish celebration this year is the centenary of Robert Louis Stevenson's death. Three prominent exhibitions in the Edinburgh Festival are generally biographical, the most comprehensively so the City Arts Centre's **Robert Louis Stevenson: Jekyll or Hyde?** Pictorially, it is at its best depicting Stevenson's Edinburgh childhood, the scenes and characters which influenced his imagination. Though there must have been a dark side to RLS, little of it emerges, despite the title.

Treasure Islands, at the Royal Scottish Museum, is about faraway places in Stevenson's imagination, firstly in the writing (of *Treasure Island* particularly) and then in reality, as he made his way towards his last Pacific home. The transition between fantasy and reality is beautifully articulated, and the Oceanic artefacts are stunning.

Most pictorial of all is the National Library of Scotland's **Pictures of the Mind**, which revolves mainly round the images Stevenson's works have summoned up in the imaginations of others, especially the many illustrators required through the years by innumerable editions of his major works, few of which have ever been out of print.

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NEARLY all of the ten thousand happenings in Edinburgh at festival time are dangerously open to the charge of "parachutism": performers dropping into Scotland to do shows that could be staged in many other places (and, these days, frequently are). How admirable, then, that this year's opening concert — an ear-splitting, lung-busting, heart-warming performance of Mahler's Symphony No 8 that threatened to blast away the Usher Hall and make a fair dent in the Castle as well — should have celebrated a perennial festival delight that is truly Scottish.

I refer to the Edinburgh Festival Chorus. It has never been known to give a half-hearted performance, but on Sunday night its impact was colossal: not just powerful, but precise and immaculately focused in tone as well. Arthur Oldham founded the Chorus for a performance of this very work in 1965. This year he retires. He must be ranked alongside Wilhelm Pitz, David Willcocks and Robert Shaw as one of the finest choir-trainers of the century.

His handiwork was evident here not only in the glorious explosion of "Veni Creator Spiritus" — the opening broadside in Mahler's gargantuan hymn to the creative power of love — but also in the racing lines of "Accende" and then in an extraordinary pianissimo for that mysterious final chorale, "Alles Vergängliche". If there is anything more spine-tingling than the Edinburgh Festival Chorus in full cry, it is these 230 voices singing so quietly that you could hear a Scottish pound-note drop.

Oldham was not conducting the performance (sponsored by Scottish & Newcastle). That task was passionately undertaken by Donald Runnicles, the Edinburgh-born conductor who has made his reputation almost entirely outside Britain and is now music director of San Francisco Opera. His conducting style is of the heaving-mighty-boulders-with-my-bare-hands variety, and he drove the choral music very hard in Part One: perhaps too hard, considering the amount of detail packed into the score. He also favoured very baleful horns and clarinets. Possibly it was this over-stressed manner that produced some occasionally untuneful playing from the otherwise rampant Royal Scottish National Orchestra.

But Runnicles certainly brought enormous vigour to the big moments, and his treatment of the soloists' music was altogether more relaxed and lyrical. Ultimately, then, the performance was a fair mirror of what Mahler considered to be the two complementary aspects of creativity: the aggressive, questing masculine; the eternally redemptive feminine.

Some soloists responded more grippingly than others. Jane Eaglen was in magnificent voice. Gregory Yurisich and Gwynne Howell made fine contributions. But the tenor Peter Svensson sounded as if he needed a new set of sparking-plugs, and one or two women soloists seemed semi-detached from proceedings on a night that was all about commitment. There was plenty of that, though, from the magnificent RSNO Junior Chorus, which sang lustily and entirely from memory. There may be subtler musical fare later in this festival; I doubt whether any other performers will radiate more *joie de vivre* than these brilliant Scottish choirs.

FRINGE THEATRE: **Benedict Nightingale** on the British premiere of a justly neglected play by Dario Fo

More punches than punchlines

Fringe? The suggestion of clipped tufts of hair, or box-hedges neatly encasing a garden, could not be less apt. With some 1,275 shows on offer in Edinburgh this year, your critic felt like Indiana Jones entering a poorly mapped jungle in hopes of coming across the odd lost ark. There is, however, always a danger of blundering into some temple of doom instead. That was my fate when I chose to postpone my visits to those traditionally rewarding places, the Traverse and Assembly Rooms, and began my meanderings at an up-and-coming one, the Pleasance.

The programme there looks good this year: Cambridge Footlights, a "bad behaviour" show from the comedienne Jenny Eclair, a company from Kiev in *Midsummer Night's Dream*, and several new or newish plays. But what most appealed to me was the British premiere of an unknown work by Dario Fo. I have always had a soft spot for his mix of clowning and political pedagoguery — and who could resist a piece allegedly offering "high finance, high farce, media-magnates, pyromania, and kidnappers"?

Well, I soon saw why we have waited eight long years for his *Il Ratto della Francesca*, or *Abducting Diana* as it has been rechristened. Its adapter, Stephen Stenning, has made sterling efforts to update and Anglicise its attack on Italian corruption, but he has not been able to produce a text as funny as Fo's *Can't Pay Won't Pay* or *Accidental Death of an Anarchist*. As a result, there is a special need for performers able to be nimble, agile, deft, and all the things English actors traditionally aren't, at least when they are tackling farce. And they, alas, are nowhere to be seen.

The protagonist is a print-and-television baroness (Susan Penhaligon), who is nabbed by the Italian cousins of the Gang Who Couldn't Shoot Straight, a set of wrangling losers she easily manipulates to her own ends. First, she enthusiastically helps them to a large ransom, figuring the affair will provide exclusives for her papers and win her public sympathy at a time she is facing arrest for corruption. Then she tricks the man left to guard her (Benedict Taylor) into becoming her own private torture-victim. She delivers electric shocks to his body, ignites the petrol and alcohol she has poured onto his chest, then shoves him, deliriously raving, into a fridge and passes him off as her husband to an intruder.

I recall rough things happening to a policeman in *Can't Pay* and it proving hilarious. I am also well aware that there was plenty of spoof violence in the *commedia dell'arte*, the school or style of theatre that shaped Fo himself. But most of the acting here is more Three Stooges than Chaplin, Keaton or even Laurel and Hardy. There is no guile, no wit, just a cast desperately bludgeoning laughter out of you. The inevitable result is that their comedy becomes not just unfunny, but tasteless and unpleasant.

Nor is there much chance of Fo teasing us into swallowing his point, which is that the rich always have things their way and the powerful can effortlessly outswindle the professional swindlers. The director, Jonathan Banatvala, says in the programme he has been working for four years on the adaptation and production; yet the effect is oddly hurried. Even the set is cumbersome and uncertain, with an enormous gargoyle inexplicably visible behind a "luxury penthouse" that, maybe because the budget ran out, appears to be being rebuilt and redecorated.

Still, I stuck around the Pleasance for long enough to catch *Stiff*, by Lavinia Murray, an inconclusive but lively piece about an illiterate boy and a brash girl who have, it seems, done away with the friend whose case has just appeared on *Crimewatch*. At any rate, the Perspex bag hanging at the back clearly contains more than old clothes. The performers, Paul Chahidi and Evelyn Doggart, have qualities not evident in *Abducting Diana*: fee, fi, fum, and even a bit of Fo.

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TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kris Anderson

LONDON

BBC HENRY WOOD PROMS Felicity Lott adds her sparkling soprano to the festivities tonight as Franz Welser-Möst and the London Philharmonic present the always popular Viennese Night. A judicious mix of the serious and the fun can be expected, with Mozart's "Haffner" Symphony, excerpts from operettas and much much more.
Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, SW7 (071-589 8212). Tonight, 7.30pm

THE WINSLOW BOY Peter Barkworth, Simon Williams, Nyree Dawn Porter and Eve Matheson in Rattigan's ever-popular drama of a man's fight to prove his son's innocence when the Royal Naval College expels him for theft. Wyn Jones directs.
Globe, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5065). Now previewing, 8pm, mat Thurs 3pm, Sat, 4pm. Opens Aug 24

THE PROVOKED HUSBAND Marital disputes and country folk bemused by London, the familiar material of a Restoration comedy. An in-house production of Vanbrugh's last play. A man of many talents, Vanbrugh was also the architect for Blenheim Palace.
New End, New End, Hampstead NW3 (071-794 0983). Opens tonight, 8pm. Then Tues-Sat, 8pm, Sun, 4pm

EDINBURGH FESTIVAL

The first of two foreign language Shakespeare productions, the Berliner Ensemble's **Antony and Cleopatra**, opens today. Peter Zadek directs the company formed by Bertolt Brecht and Helene Weigel in 1949; with Gert Voss and Eva Mattes. Meanwhile, Robert David McDonald presents Goethe's searing look at 16th-century Italian political ambition and intrigue, **Torquato Tasso**.

Opera drops out today but returns tomorrow for another performance of Beethoven's Fidelio. Dance continues all week with the vibrant Balanchine programmes from Miami City Ballet. The dramatic mezzo soprano **Olga Borodina** continues to make her mark as she returns to the Festival tonight for a recital at the Queen's Hall of Rachmaninov, Shostakovich and de Falla. Turn to the previous page for visual arts and early Fringe roundups.

After 11 years without a break, the **Dazzle Contemporary Jewellery Exhibition** has become a fixture of the Fringe. It could always be found in the Assembly Rooms but this year has moved on to the larger space of the Traverse Theatre Atrium (part of the Saltyre Court complex); and a larger space means a more ambitious show with even more exhibitors.

While you are there, don't miss some of the Fringe productions at the Traverse, on today. Sarah McVicar plays a woman searching for her father through Depression America in **Liberty, Oregon**; a first full-length play by the praised American writer Steffen Silvis. The excellent Communicado returns with J M Synge's masterpiece **The Playboy of the Western World**, directed by Gerry Mulgrew. Or catch Tom Courtenay playing the intellectual alcoholic hero again in a revival of *Moscow Stations*, a clever dramatisation of a cult Russian novel.

LONDON GALLERIES

Barbican: Who's Looking at the Family? (071-638 4141) **British Museum**: New European Applied Arts Galleries. Modern Japanese Prints, 1912-1989 (071-636 1555) **Courtauld**: French Impressionist and Post-Impressionist paintings (071-873 2526). **Hayward**: Bonnard at Le Bosquet (071-928 3800). **National Gallery**: Friedrich to Hodler: A Romantic Tradition (071-389 1785). **National Portrait Gallery**: Edwardian Women Photographers (071-306 0055) **Royal Academy**: The Belgian Avant-Garde 1880-1900 (071-439 7438) **Tate**: Turner's Holland, Sculptors' Drawings (071-887 8000) **V & A**: Pugin: A Gothic Passion (071-938 8500) **Whitechapel**: Franz Kline (071-377 0107)

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London
■ House full, returns only
◩ Some seats available
□ Seats at all prices

□ **COPACABANA** Barry Manilow's first musical, starring Gary Wilmot and Nicola Dawn. You've heard the song, and heard the song, the show adds energetic dancing and pineapple headdresses but that's about it.
Prince of Wales, Coventry Street, W1 (071-839 5972). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed and Sat, 3pm

□ **THE CRYPTOGRAM** Lindsay Duncan and Eddie Izzard in Mamet's play about cryptic adult relationships tantalising but it is really a studio play.
Ambassadors, West Street, W1 (071-836 1171). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 5pm

□ **DOG EAT DOG** The latest collection of sketches, song and parody from the eight-man comedy troupe The Posse opens this week.
Theatre Royal Stratford East, Gerry Raffles Square, E15 (081-534 0310). Tue-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm

◩ **FIDDLER ON THE ROOF** Topol returns to his alter ego Tevye and Sara Kestelman plays Golde in the 30th anniversary revival.
Palladium, Argyll Street, W1 (071-494 5038). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 2.30pm

□ **JUGGLE AND HYDE** The Flying Karamazov Brothers defy probability with their truly astounding feats. They're funny too.
Criterion, Piccadilly Circus, W1 (071-839 4488). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 4pm. Until Sept 3

□ **LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN** Another extravagantly set-dominated Wilde from Philip Prowse. Fine acting from Francesca Annis's mother with a past but otherwise a frail evening.
Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Thurs and Sat, 3pm

□ **THE MIRACLE WORKER** Jenny Seagrove and Catherine Holman as teacher and blind, deaf pupil in a touching, unmawkish production
Comedy, Panton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat 8.15pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 5pm

◩ **MURDER IN THE CATHEDRAL** T S Eliot's attempt to enter the feelings of the archbishop, murdering knights and anxious women of Canterbury. Michael Feast plays Becket with a contemporary edge.
Pit, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight and Wed, 7.15pm.

□ **900 ONEONTA** David Beaird's Southern drama — half for real, half spoof — earns a deserved transfer from fringe to prime house. The first of the new West End Producers' Alliance shows, aiming to bring quality work at affordable prices.
Old Vic, Waterloo Road, SE1 (071-928 7616). Mon-Fri, 7.45pm, Sat, 8pm; mats Thurs 3pm and Sat, 4pm.

◩ **THE QUEEN AND I** The deposed Mrs Windsor and her dysfunctional family. Sue Townsend's squib, often amusing and cunningly acted but too warm-hearted to work as satire. In rep with Jim Cartwright's Road.
Royal Court, Sloane Square, SW1 (071-730 1745). Mon-Thurs, 7.30pm, Sat, 7.30pm. Until Aug 27

□ **RUTHERFORD AND SON** Bob Peck plays the implacable father of the firm and head of the family in welcome revival of Githa Sowerby's excellent play, dating from 1912. Katie Mitchell directs.
National (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight, 7.30pm, Wed, 2.30 and 7.30pm

□ **ST JOAN** Imogen Stubbs as the soldier-saint in a production full of mental passion, if you can overlook the scenic ado. Peter Jeffrey is superb as the Inquisitor.
Strand, Strand, WC2 (071-930 8800). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 2.30pm

□ **SWEET BIRD OF YOUTH** Clare Higgins plays the ageing film star in Tennessee Williams's steamy drama about hopes fading and futures destroyed. Richard Eyre's unmissable production, with Robert Knepper and Richard Pasco.
National (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight, 7.30pm, Wed, 2.15 and 7.30pm.

LONG RUNNERS

□ **Arcadia**: Haymarket (071-930 8800) . □ **Blood Brothers**: Phoenix (071-867 1044) □ **Buddy**: Victoria Palace (071-834 1317) . . □ **The Canterbury Tales**: Garrick (071-494 5040) . ◩ **Cats**: New London (071-405 0072) . □ **Crazy for You**: Prince Edward (071-734 8951) ◩ **Dead Funny**: Vaudeville (071-836 9987) . ◩ **Don't Dress for Dinner**: Duchess (071-494 5070) ◩ **Five Guys Named Moe**: Lyric (071-494 5045) ◩ **Grease**: Dominion (071-416 6060) □ **Home**: Wyndham's, final week (071-867 1116) . ◩ **Hot Shoe Shuffle**: Queens, final week (071-494 5040) □ **An Inspector Calls**: Aldwych (071-836 6404) . . ◩ **Les Misérables**: Palace (071-434 0909) ◩ **Miss Saigon**: Theatre Royal (071-494 5400) □ **The Mousetrap**: St Martin's (071-836 1443) ■ **The Phantom of the Opera**: Her Majesty's (071-494 5400) □ **She Loves Me**: Savoy (071-836 8888) . . ◩ **Starlight Express**: Apollo Victoria (071-828 8665) . ◩ **Sunset Boulevard**: Adelphi (071-344 0055) □ **The Woman in Black**: Fortune (071-836 2238)

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CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

NEW RELEASES

◆ **BABY'S DAY OUT** (PG): Wandering baby tries its kidnappers' patience. Stale, lazy comedy from the "Home Alone" stable, with Joe Mantegna and Lara Flynn Boyle. Director, Patrick Read Johnson.
MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Marble Arch** (0426 914501) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **West End** (0426 915574) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

◆ **TRUE LIES** (15): Schwarzenegger saves the world from Middle East terrorists. But what about his marriage? Overblown summer fun with Jamie Lee Curtis. Director, James Cameron.
Empire (0800 888911) **MGM Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

CURRENT

ANGIE (15): Decent drama about a Brooklyn girl's life and loves, with Geena Davis. Director, Martha Coolidge.
Odeon Mezzanine (0426 915683)

◆ **THE BEVERLY HILLBILLIES** (PG): Silly, acceptable big-screen revival for TV's favourite hicks with Jim Varney, Lily Tomlin and Dietrich Bader. Director, Penelope Spheeris.
MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031)

◆ **THE FLINTSTONES** (U): Hollow, noisy live-action treatment of the TV cartoon set in Stone Age suburbia, with John Goodman. Brian Levant directs.
Empire (0800 888911) **MGMs: Fulham Rd** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Plaza** (0800 888997) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

FORTRESS (15): Christopher Lambert suffers high-tech incarceration in a dull futuristic prison movie. Director, Stuart Gordon.
Odeon West End (0426 915574)

THE GETAWAY (18): Alec Baldwin and Kim Basinger as thieves on the run. Strong, sexy remake of the 1972 thriller; director, Roger Donaldson.
Warner (071-437 4343)

◆ **GETTING EVEN WITH DAD** (PG): Macaulay Culkin reforms his wayward dad (Ted Danson). Botched family comedy, directed by Howard Deutch.
MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

GO FISH (18): American comedy of lesbian manners with a warm spirit and many gauche moments. Rose Troche directs an amateur cast.
Metro (071-437 0757) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666) **Screen/Baker Street** (071-935 2772) **Screen/Green** (071-226 3520)

THE LAST SEDUCTION (18): Enjoyably amoral tale of sex, power and $700,000, with Linda Fiorentino as the femme fatale to end them all. John Dahl directs.
Barbican (071-638 8891) **Curzon West End** (071-439 4805) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098)

LOVE & HUMAN REMAINS (18): Mordant tales of love, sex and serial killings. Denys Arcand directs a fresh, excellent cast, led by Thomas Gibson and Ruth Marshall.
MGM Tottenham Court Road (071-636 6148) **Odeon Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098)

◆ **MAVERICK** (PG): Mel Gibson as the TV Western conman. Disappointing summer fun, with Jodie Foster and James Garner. Director, Richard Donner.
MGMs: Baker Street (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

◆ **MY GIRL 2** (PG): Anna Chlumsky's precocious girl searches for the mother she never knew. Bland sequel aimed at young teens with Austin O'Brien, Dan Aykroyd and Jamie Lee Curtis.
MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031)

NECRONOMICON (18): Clumsy horror compendium inspired by H.P. Lovecraft's stories, with Bruce Payne, David Warner, and sundry creatures from the depths.
MGM Panton Street (071-930 0631)

◆ **RENAISSANCE MAN** (12): Patchy comedy with Danny DeVito teaching Hamlet to the army's under-achievers.
Warner (071-437 4343)

SERIAL MOM (18): Homemaker turns corpsemaker. Mild but engaging social satire from John Waters; with Kathleen Turner and Sam Waterston.
Warner (071-437 4343)

◆ **SIRENS** (15): Oxford curate and his wife mingle with Australia's bohemians. Joyful, luscious romp, with Hugh Grant, Tara Fitzgerald and Elle MacPherson. Directed by John Duigan.
MGMs: Fulham Road (071-370 2636) **Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Notting Hill Coronet** (071-727 6705) **Odeon Haymarket** (0426 915353) **Screen/Baker Street** (071-935 2772) **Screen/Hill** (071-435 3366) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

◆ **SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS** (U): You are never too old to enjoy the world's first feature-length cartoon, in a sparkling restored print.
MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **West End** (0426 915574) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

WE DON'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT (PG): An ageing bachelor and a charming dwarf join forces in Maria Luisa Bemberg's magical Argentine fable. With Marcello Mastroianni.
Chelsea (071-351 3742/3743) **Curzon Mayfair** (071-465 8865) **Renoir** (071-837 8402)

THEATRE: **Jeremy Kingston** sees Chekhov badly served by an ill-conceived production

Mess in need of a good tidy-up

MARILYN KINGWILL



Suzan Sylvester, Lucy Tregear and Laurel Lefkow bond meaningfully in a scene from Chekhov's *Three Sisters*

Three Sisters
Minerva, Chichester

General Prozorov has not been dead a year, but already the white paint is flaking off the plaster in the drawing room. The exterior paintwork is no better — indeed, it is the very same, as Simon Higlett's colonnaded set reappears for the final scene in the garden. For Olga's bedroom he drapes the curtains with dust sheets, as though she sleeps in an outhouse.

Either Lisa Forrell, whose largely unexciting production this is, or her 1975 translation by Michael Henry Heim, calls the room an attic, although there is no suggestion of this in Chekhov.

Cramped the bedroom has to be, now that Irina has been shoved in there by her dreadful sister-in-law, but not dingy. Clearly the need to do something about those columns, which Chekhov does mention, explains the drapes, but it is a miserable solution.

This is not the only indication that ideas for this production have not been thought through and, where necessary, thrown out. Julia St John reveals Natasha's nasty side right at the start when she comes rushing out of the dining room and stamps her foot in vexation. Robert Hands's Andrei, already unmistakably self-indulgent, kisses her in a doorway, not on the hand or mouth but deep down on her breast. She does not complain, and may already be sleeping with his boss, but to state her rotten character like this is so obvious.

What Forrell's production does give us is the sense that almost everybody is irremediably foolish. I cannot recall other productions making me notice how fatuous the Baron is, what a foppish creep the sinister Solyony is, how unappealing the idle Doctor Chebutykin is. As a result, the Prozorov sisters themselves come across as a feckless lot, recklessly inviting such oddities to their table. You might suppose Chekhov is mocking women's education, not for making them too cultured for a provincial backwater, but because it failed to instil any judgment.

There is poignancy in Laurel Lefkow's tearful voice when her Irina detects life drifting by; Lucy Tregear's Olga leaves less of an impression. The most attractive playing comes from Suzan Sylvester and Greg Hicks, Sylvester's grave Masha dreamily inattentive or hypnotised by Hicks's Vershinin. Even so, the production makes Sylvester throw her hat down, sweep cards off the table: unnecessarily emphatic indications that she has changed her mind or mood.

No exaggeration in Hicks's performance and no need for it. Courteous, glancing from one patient listener to another, encouraging all to share his naive but touching optimism, he embodies the charm that will depart when the military leaves town.

But this is not a production that eases you into the lives of the characters. Chekhov's dialogue is scarred by jerky changes of tone, and too many visual quirks are present. Andrei's overcoat hangs in tatters, for example — impossible to believe that the houseproud Natasha, screeching at the sight of a dropped fork, would have allowed such Bohemian sloppiness to go on public view.

OPERA: Cheers replace the boos for Warner

Good-looking and sexy

Don Giovanni
Glyndebourne

THE boos that greeted the first night of Glyndebourne's *Don Giovanni* have rolled away over the Sussex hills to oblivion. Deborah Warner's production has now established itself as one of the successes of the season, received with much cheering over the weekend.

It has its imperfections, chief of which is Hildegard Bechtler's set, a leftover from the fag end of the old German brutalism. But Bechtler's dark walls and sliding platform are no better or worse than the gloomy framework Richard Peduzzi is giving *Don Giovanni* in Salzburg this summer. Warner's success lies in the energy — and especially the sexual energy — she draws from her cast. Most of those on stage are lithe and young. All are rapacious, with the exception of Gudjon Oskarsson's powerfully delivered Commendatore. And even he might have had a wandering eye were he not strangled and stabbed at the start.

Giles Cachemaille makes Giovanni an amoral thug, who not only seduces young girls but is a blasphemer. Warner makes this point sharply with the dog-eared carving of the Madonna he carries to his last supper.

This crime, crucial to the character Mozart and Da Ponte created, has rarely been made so forcefully. And it is underlined when Leporello (the excellent Sanford Sylvan) rescues the Madonna from the flames that engulf Giovanni. The implication is that he still has the vestiges of belief and that the carving is his passport to living another day.

Amanda Roocroft's Elvira is outstanding. She arrives, with a holdall containing her worldly possessions, looking like a sexy tramp waiting for the first pick-up. How she manages to acquire a chambermaid for Giovanni to seduce is a question Warner ducks. But since Giovanni wears a vest while delivering the Serenade he was presumably not aiming too high.

Roocroft, tucked into a series of sheath dresses by Sue Blane, quickly reveals Elvira's anguish, which reaches its peak in a marvellously sung "Mi tradì".

For Roocroft and Cachemaille everything seems vocally easy. Not so for the disappointing Anna of Hillevi Martinpelto, whose tone was too often forced. She is the weakness in a cast that moves and works together with the fluency born of Glyndebourne's long rehearsals.

Ivor Bolton — who has taken over the final performances, including the end of the month Prom, from Simon Rattle — scarcely needed to control his singers. He concentrated on the pit and got playing from the Age of Enlightenment Orchestra that was as crisp and energetic as the movement on stage.

JOHN HIGGINS

DANCE: Amateur professionalism on the South Bank

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Ballroom Blitz
Festival Hall

ANYONE who thinks, like the insufferable David Mellor, that contemporary dance has no appeal for the general public should pay a visit to the South Bank's Ballroom Blitz. This year's festive fortnight is now over, but they can go next year, along with the young and old, nimble and two-left-footed who flock to the workshop, talks and free performances, eager to sample dance in all its bristling diversity.

Matthew Hawkins is a performer, teacher and choreographer-in-residence at the Hackney Empire in east London. His piece, *Illusions of Spontaneity*, a Ballroom Blitz commission and the culmination of preparations including five days of open rehearsals, attracted no less interest than other events in the season devoted to ballet, say, or Chinese dance.

Performed on the Ballroom floor, a quarter-level down from the Royal Festival Hall foyer, *Illusions of Spontaneity* used music by Steve Marshall. Its choreography was evidently set, but the sprawling motley mix of performers surrounded by a bustle of spectators, onlookers and passers-by, injected a zany, impromptu flavour. I would not have guessed the dances were structured in six parts, each representing a vowel. I did, though, note contrasted blocks, social dance duets, patterns of lines, soloists emerging from ensembles, and a woman skipping with an invisible rope.

Hawkins's own ensemble, the Fresh Dances Group, formed the core of the 23-strong cast, along with a collection of fine-tuned, sophisticated professionals and enthusiastic amateurs, white-haired grannies and lithe 20-year-olds. Anyone can dance, one way or another: it is to Hawkins's credit that he managed to make most of them look good.

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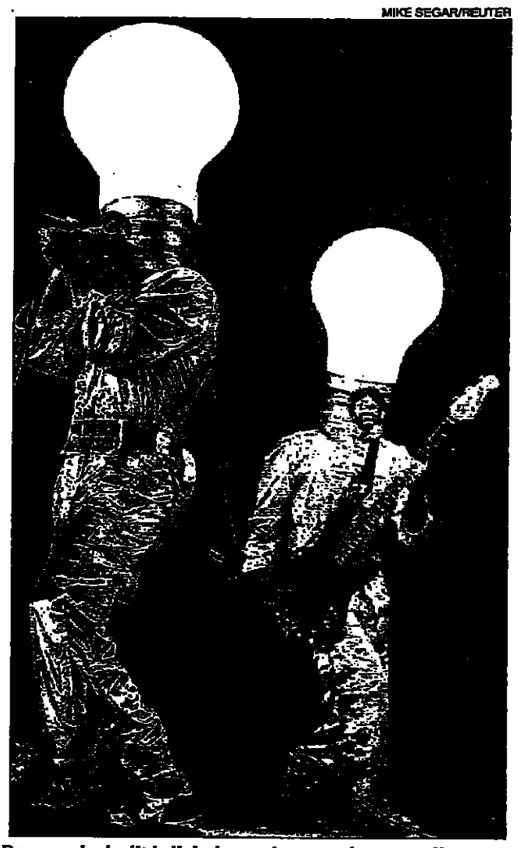
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The banner-strangled stars

David Sinclair sees Woodstock '94 tear down the freak flag of hippy idealism in favour of the commercial trip. Still, at least the mud was free


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Bob Dylan made amends for not appearing at the first Woodstock festival, going down a bomb with the mud-spattered groovers, while the Red Hot Chili Peppers shed a little light-heartedness on the proceedings

As with the festival 25 years ago, there is a danger that Woodstock 1994 may be remembered for a variety of reasons largely unconnected with music. In a classic case of the poacher turning gamekeeper, the now middle-aged organisers of the 1969 event this time established a set of ground rules that would have been condemned out of hand by the original seekers of "peace, love and music".

While few people objected to security checks for weapons, and most accepted the principle of paying to get in, the no drink, no drugs policy raised hackles. Indeed, many of the performers seemed to regard the situation as a personal affront. "As Scotsmen we are seriously concerned about the lack of beer in here," Justin Currie of Del Amitri said before playing "Stone Cold Sober", while the outlandish Jesse James Dupree of Atlanta-based heavy rockers Jackyl organised a crowd chant of "What have you got? No beer, no pot". As a slogan it had a certain ring, but compared with the anti-Vietnam war rhetoric of the first festival, it seemed a little lacking in gravity.

No one could seriously have been surprised that the philosophy of the first Woodstock festival had been corrupted virtually beyond recognition, and if the truth were told few would now welcome a rerun of an event so poorly organised that the site was officially declared a disaster zone. But there's no doubt that a significant element of spontaneity and thus some of the excitement has to be sacrificed if you're going to get the bands to run on time. (And they were certainly more punctual than the site buses.)

The line-up that emerged at Woodstock 1994 was carefully market-researched and programmed to appeal to a target audience of 16 to 25-year-olds. A surprising number of Woodstock veterans apparently fitted this bill. Among those lending credibility and a spiritual link to the original event were Crosby, Stills and Nash, the Band and Joe Cocker. But apart from the nostalgic cachet, their sets were uniformly disappointing. Other superannuated rockers such as Traffic, the Allman Brothers Band and Santana traded on past glories with mixed results, but none of them succeeded in reviving the Woodstock spirit as anything more than a faded memory.

Various mainstream behemoths, notably Aerosmith and Metallica, showed up and dutifully punched the appropriate stadium rock buttons, but ultimately the soul of Woodstock 1994 was to be found in darker quarters.

The rain that arrived during an appropriately thunderous set by the Henry Rollins Band, and continued through most of Saturday night, turned the festival site into a quagmire. With most main walkways converted into rivers of mud and (in areas close to the latrines) untreated sewage, movement around the 800-acre Winston Farm in Saugerties, New York, became a perilous business.

Enter the mud people. Creating makeshift slides on the embankments and throwing themselves with manic abandon into the mess, these fans assumed a chocolate-coloured tribal identity that will be forever linked with Woodstock 1994: like pagan revellers from the different world they were the dark, 1990s alter-egos of the flower children. Active and boisterous where the flower children were passive and sensitive, it was the mud people who created the crazy, careening mosh pits in front of the two festival stages and whose ceaseless cavorting injected a welcome dose of energy and sense of occasion into the affair. They were comparatively few in number, but Woodstock 1994 belonged to them. And, not surprisingly, it was the acts the mud people liked best who walked away with the honours.

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Primus, the quirky, power funk trio from San Francisco, played with deranged authority, while Porno For Pyros — the band led by former Jane's Addiction supremo Perry Farrell — presented a compelling theatre of the grotesque including strippers, acrobats and a repellent, self-mutilating clown. The most stunning visual presentation, however, was that of Trent Reznor and his Nine Inch Nails, who transformed themselves into mud people for the event. Perhaps regrettably, their huge, sepulchral sound and Reznor's brutish lyrics chimed better with the apocalyptic mood of the times than the music of any number of acts who came offering good vibes and a few vague platitudes about saving planet Earth.

The little-known group Green Day produced the most spectacular reaction. A young American four-piece, forged in the image of British punk bands such as the Jam, they not only delivered a tremendous blast of high-energy rock but also, in a moment of madness, invited the audience to throw mud at them. The ensuing barrage all but stopped the show and the band set about hurling much of it back.

The impression that Woodstock 1994 was really two festivals rolled into one was never stronger than when Bob Dylan played before the Red Hot Chili Peppers on Sunday night. Clean-shaven and resplendent in a black suit and white shirt, Dylan looked and sounded as if, for once, he had made an effort. He generally did what everyone was hoping he would, taking a reflective tack on "Don't Think Twice It's All Right" and rocking out with powerful arrangements of "All Along The Watchtower", "Highway 61 Revisited" and "Rainy Day Women".

Generation X was clearly impressed by this blast from the past, and gave him a generous reception before going berserk for the turbo-powered funk rock of the Chili Peppers. They began with vast "lightbulb" attachments strapped to their heads and ended their set all dressed in Jimi Hendrix costumes and wigs, gimmicks that lent a surreal touch to a supremely vital and earthy set.

Although the 1960s and 1990s acts coexisted remarkably happily together, there were precious few performers who actually bridged the gap. Spin Doctors were one, giving a modern funk twist to their traditional boogie-derived rock'n'roll, although their version of Joni Mitchell's "Woodstock" was not their best-judged moment. The Neville Brothers produced a spirit of uplift with their timeless New Orleans syncopations and soulful singing.

Peter Gabriel, who brought the proceedings to a stately conclusion, deployed a measure of light and shade that few of the previous acts had mustered. In an emotional climax he asked everyone in the crowd to light a candle on behalf of the suffering people of Rwanda.

With its commercial sheen and dark undercurrents, Woodstock 1994 would surely have confirmed the baby boomers' impression that, compared with the buoyant enthusiasm of the 1960s, the 1990s is a hard and scary place. But, as Gabriel's candles twinkled in the chill night air, it seemed just possible that there might still be time to do something about it.

LONDON ROCK CONCERT

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AS their name implies, the four-piece Dread Zone take their main orientation from the spacey, electro-bass culture of dub reggae. Their other points of contact are suitably diverse, considering the band's origins in Big Audio Dynamite and Screaming Target, outfits whose technological reggae provided the late 1980s with a certain definition. Given the chance, Dread Zone could repeat the experience in the 1990s.

Their debut album, *360 Degrees*, provoked appreciative murmuring on its release last autumn. Since then, they have concentrated on perfecting a shimmering live sound of deafening intensity. The work has paid off. An oscillating electronic drone generated by Dan Donovan and Tim Bran's keyboards introduced "Africa", their opening instrumental. With a cavernous atmospheric in place, bassist Leo Williams and drummer Greg Roberts then swung the band into the sparse and heavy dub rhythms that dominated the night.

Morricone samples placed "The Good, the Bad and the Dread" in a modernised Wild West, while "Far Encounter" and the forthcoming single, "Zion Youth", made dignified journeys.

But for all the dexterity of Dread Zone's techno, there was a chilly, apocalyptic edge. Illuminated for the most part only by back lights, Dread Zone's silhouettes added a monumental touch. With human contact minimised (the snatched lyrics were samples from various sources), the preferred method of communication was the flanged echoing of a mighty rhythm machine.

LOUISE GRAY

FESTIVAL: Early music in Glasgow

Charmed by the Incas

The Indian Queen
Citizens Theatre, Glasgow

NOW in its third edition, the biennial Glasgow International Early Music Festival, which proclaims itself the largest festival of its kind in the United Kingdom, is also arguably the most enterprising. This year, for instance, visitors have included Les Musiciens du Louvre and the Moscow Academy of Ancient Music, but pride of place rightly goes to Purcell's last semi-opera *The Indian Queen*, for which the Moscow musicians join the Baroque Orchestra of the Scottish Early Music Consort.

To call the whole piece Purcell's is actually more than usually unjust, since three other people were involved in its creation. John Dryden and Sir Robert Howard wrote the play, first published in 1665, while Purcell's brother Daniel composed the music for the substantial final "Masque of Hymen". If the setting and characters are exotic, the action seems pretty unlikely — one fast loses count of captures and escapes and imminent executions stayed — but it deals with those familiar concerns and conflicts of duty, friendship, love and sacrifice.

Straying into farce is its greatest potential peril, but Kate Brown's production faces all dangers unflinchingly. Add to this Ace McCarron's atmospheric lighting, full of ominous dark greens and blues, and Louise Belson's stage designs that make much of plain black drapes, basic props and simple masks, and you have the bare bones for a highly successful piece of period theatre.

These are fleshed out with some compelling acting that brings to life the literary of rhyming couplets. Juliet Cadzow tackles the arch-villainy of the Indian Queen Zempoalla eagerly, while Dan Maxwell gives a beatific performance as her tragic son Acacis. The hero-warrior Montezuma is the dashing Matthew Whittle; the princess Orazia — the object of his and Acacis's affections — the girlish Emma Jay Thomas. Mike Shannon plays her obstinate father, the Inca of Peru.

Even though relatively thin on the ground, the music illuminates as well as diverts. We find, for instance, an innocuous little song like "I Attempt From Love's Sickness", in an unsuspected context, for it is Zempoalla (or rather her singer-counterpart Jeannette Wilson) and not some lovelorn innocent who sings it. At the time she is about to consult her sorceror Ismeron, beautifully acted, if slightly clumsily sung, by a dishevelled David Thomas.

A different flavour permeates the delightfully onomatopoeic "Hissing Song" of Envy — a vocally rather unsteady Richard Burkhard — and his two attendants in the Act II music, depicting the Triumph of Fame over Envy. The light-voiced Stuart Patterson takes the role of Fame here; earlier he joined Tinuke Olafimihan, equally light, in the work's pertinent, touching Prologue, where an Indian boy and girl sing of the despairs of war.

The six Scottish and Parisian dancers dance Ana Yepes's fluid and stylish choreography gracefully, and Gregory Squire, directing the orchestras from his violin, paces the music well.

STEPHEN PETTITT

PROMS 1994: Two hours of purgatory

A Tavener with no cheer

The Apocalypse
Albert Hall / Radio 3


STEPHEN MARKESON

John Tavener's new work *The Apocalypse* is D for dull

IT WAS billed as an event that would change our lives. Certainly John Tavener's *The Apocalypse*, this year's only Prom commission, changed one's attitude to D major. There were enough Ds in it to last a season, most of them played in interminable unison by a solo string quartet.

They provided the anchor for a huge work of two hours and 20 minutes, which dispersed its forces round the Albert Hall to novel effect. In the top gallery (the Heavens) were massed brass, timpani and gongs, as well as the Woman Clothed with the Sun (Patricia Rozario stunning in the stratosphere of her register too) and an amplified Voice of God (Stephen Richardson with sonorous bottom Ds). On ground level (Earth) were solo and male chorus voices, while Angels and Beasts (children's voices and a formidable corps of seven counter-tenors) occupied the area between.

For all that Tavener's slow-moving, ritualistic music has caught the mood of the moment, no one could accuse this deeply sincere man of opportunism: he has been doing it far too long. His music has, too, an undeniable spiritual core that gives it an integrity palpable even for the unbeliever. *The Apocalypse*, however, is surely his most self-indulgent work to date. A score that offers endlessly repeated snatches of chant punctuated by fortissimo outbursts (whose dramatic effect is diminished by their own repetition) is arguably not a work of art so much as an act of worship.

To say that the end of the world could not have come too quickly for this listener is to admit that one is not constitutionally equipped for meditation. But of those who did not leave the hall prematurely (as several dozen did), many seemed entranced. For me the best moments (apart from the two brief cessations of the drone D) were the thrilling sallies from the upper gallery (trumpets and drums in controlled cacophony) and the truly apocalyptic eruption of full choruses, brass, organ and gongs at the casting into the lake of fire. They were soon gone, however.

One nevertheless admired a magnificent performance from everybody concerned: Thomas Randle with his microtonally inflected incantations as St John, Ruby Philogene as the Whore of Babylon, the City of London Sinfonia and Chorus and the New London Children's Choir, all magisterially held together by Richard Hickox.

BARRY MILLINGTON

JAZZ

Famed, but not famous

Harry Beckett Quartet
The Vortex, N16

THE 59-year-old trumpeter Harry Beckett receives rather less attention than his rich and mature talent deserves. Not old enough to be an elder statesman, but lacking the youth that attracts media attention to "bright prospects", Beckett nevertheless continues to illuminate the jazz scene with his graceful and ebullient playing.

On his arrival in this country from Barbados in 1954, he spent a good few years dispensing what he terms "night-club MOR", but was eventually given an opportunity to earn genuine jazz credentials on receiving an invitation to play with Graham Collier's octet in the early 1960s. This led to sporadic but rewarding work in the 1960s and 1970s bands of other contemporary jazz composers such as Stan Tracey and Mike Gibbs, and, most famously, with the late South African pianist Chris McGregor's seminal Brotherhood of Breath.

Beckett was briefly in the media spotlight again in the 1980s, when he provided a vital link with Caribbean jazz roots for a new generation of black British players, chiefly heard through the big band Jazz Warriors. From this springboard leapt young lions like Courtney Pine, Cleveland Watkiss and Phillip Bent, but Beckett remained a largely unsung hero.

Beckett himself characteristically sees the vicissitudes of his jazz career as having had positive results, being responsible for his enviable ability to function in twin areas of the music: "Sharp time-keeping and the more melodic wing of freeform." In a quartet gig alongside electric guitarist John Parricelli, electric bassist Fred "Thelonious" Baker and drummer Liam Genocky, however, neither area was explored with Beckett's usual poised assurance. Whether spitting out rapid-fire trumpet phrases and runs over his rhythm section's electronic bustle, or urging plangent melancholy from his trademark flugelhorn, Beckett hovered uncertainly on the edge of abstraction, but never quite settled into a rhythmic groove. A brief, gloriously exuberant passage of four-part free-for-all provided a tantalising glimpse of Beckett's almost unrivalled ability to switch seamlessly between lyricism and aggression, but the concert did not quite cohere, and certainly never attained the usual Beckett heights.

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12 *Ancient festival of Zeus, running again every four years (7,5)*
20 *Postpone introducing female to buck (5)*
23 *Innkeeper gets infesting vermin seen off (8)*

DOWN

4 *Supporters of Greek strongman used to guard Straits of Gibraltar (7,2,8)*
9 *Only an ancient Greek, yet did such extraordinary history (10)*
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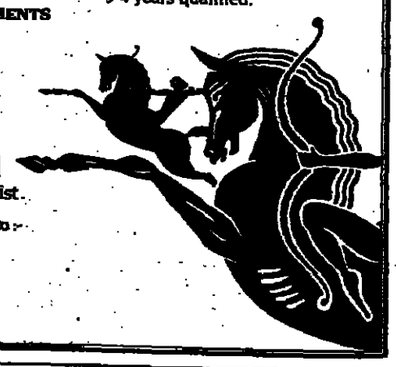
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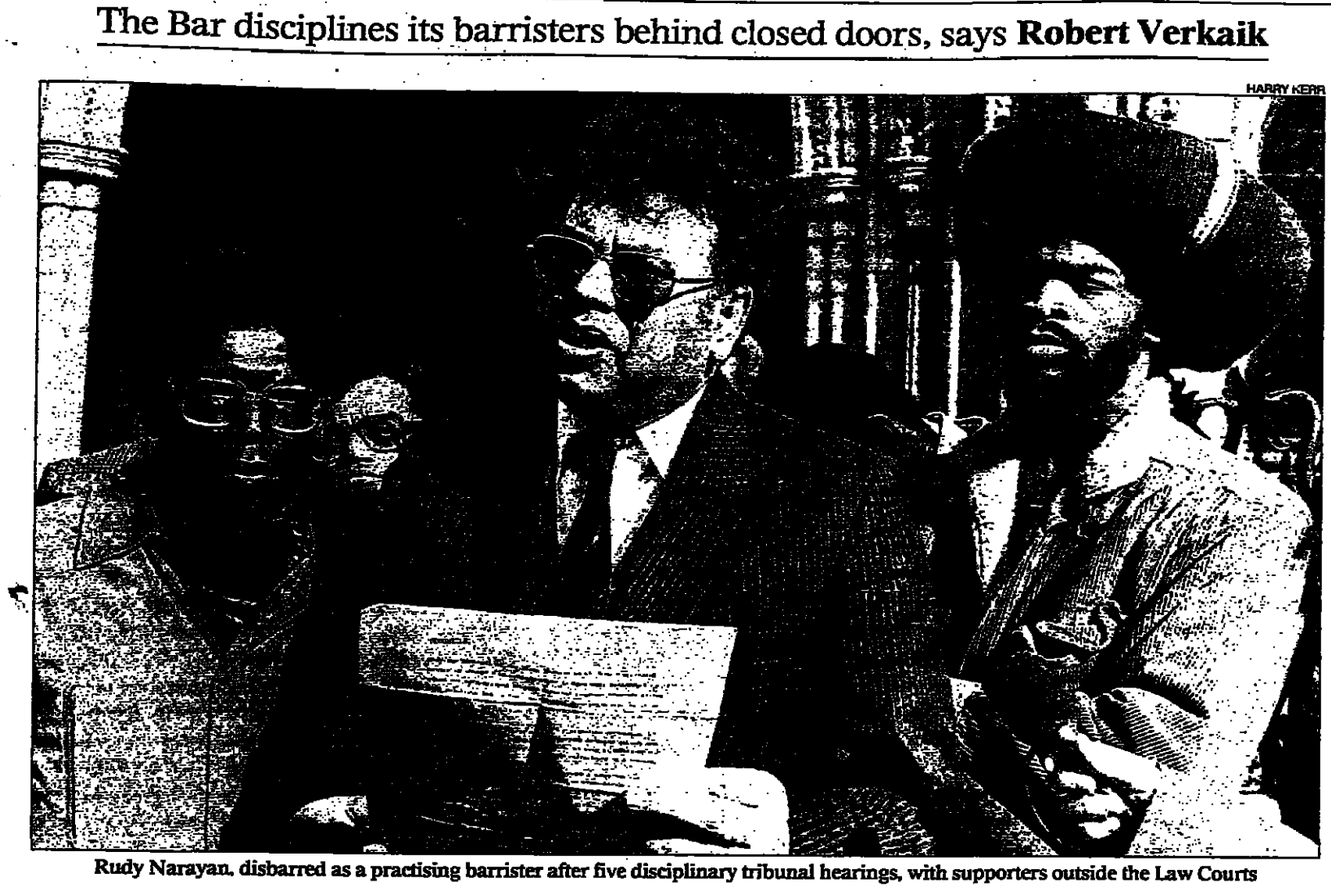
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The Bar disciplines its barristers behind closed doors, says **Robert Verkaik**



HARRY KERR

Rudy Narayan, disbarred as a practising barrister after five disciplinary tribunal hearings, with supporters outside the Law Courts

Prosecution and jury

Public gaze was fleetingly turned on the Bar's disciplinary system last month when Rudy Narayan, thorn in the side of the legal establishment for many years, was disbarred. For Mr Narayan, it was the climax of a battle with his professional body which has seen him brought before five disciplinary tribunals.

Unusually, Mr Narayan would regularly insist his hearings be heard in public. But such a request is almost unheard of. The Bar, as used to be the case with the Solicitors' Disciplinary Tribunal, usually disciplines its own in secret, unlike other professional bodies.

... work is on the increase. In 1988, 211 complaints were handled by the Bar Council. By last year the figure had risen to 347. However, few barristers will ever be formally disciplined. Only 20 to 30 disciplinary tribunals take place a year. The Bar Council's professional conduct committee weeds out about 70 per cent of what the committee considers to be inconsequential, malicious, frivolous or weak allegations.

Makbool Javaid, chairman of the Society of Black Lawyers, is a strong critic of the Bar's disciplinary system. "The procedures are not very clear; there are no guidelines. When dealing with ethnic minorities there is a greater willingness to act. We don't have any insight into the factors taken into account when these decisions are made."

Mr Javaid also objects to the informal disciplinary procedure of "making an informal note" on a barrister's record.

"As far as the Bar is concerned it is a very detrimental thing to have hanging over your head," says Mr Javaid.

Changes are afoot, however. The Bar, following the lead of the solicitors, is now moving towards creating a more open structure for its disciplinary procedure. The Bar chairman, Robert Seabrook, QC, has set up the Standards Review Body to consider the complaints system and it is due to publish its findings this autumn. It is widely expected to find in favour of public hearings.

Jonathan Harvie, QC, is a member of the professional conduct committee's panel of prosecuting barristers, and also defends solicitors at their disciplinary tribunals. He supports a more open system but believes there is less temptation for barristers.

He says: "The barrister does not handle the public's money and therefore, assuming that the moral fibre of the average solicitor and average barrister is the same, the reality is that the average solicitor has temptation strewn in his path more often than the average barrister."

The Bar Council's own figures show that the most common allegations are of incompetence or negligence, followed by undue pressure for a client to plead guilty or accept an unfair settlement. But poor advocacy, style and tactics also feature highly.

Anyone can bring a complaint to the professional conduct committee and the system is not just used by dissatisfied clients as a forum for appeal. Judges, solicitors, fellow barristers and barristers' clerks all make complaints. The range of punishments available to the tribunal includes admonishment, attendance on a circuit leader, suspension or disbarment. A disbarred barrister may find it very hard to rejoin the Bar or find alternative employment. The disciplinary hearing is something akin to a mini-trial. The burden of proof is beyond reasonable doubt but the rules of evidence are more relaxed. The tribunal is independent of the Bar Council and constituted by the Council of the Inns of Court. The panel, appointed by the president of the Council of the Inns of Court, is made up of a High Court or Circuit judge acting as chairman, three other practising members of the Bar, and a lay representative.

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Mr Harvie would like to see the balance on the tribunal more in favour of lay persons, "provided they are made aware of how the profession works so they have a sensible understanding of the evidence".

Evidence is given on oath and witnesses are called, but, unlike other professional misconduct hearings, there is no power of subpoena. There is an appeal procedure to the Visitors to the Inns of Court.

But the complainant has no right of appeal and neither does the prosecuting authority, the professional conduct committee. And there is no power to award compensation.

A Bar Council spokesman said: "It has been argued by the Legal Services Ombudsman and the Consumers' Association that our complaints system should encompass an element of consumer satisfaction."

The Bar Council employs two investigation officers. One is a former policeman and the other is a female solicitor. They build up a case against a barrister in a similar way to the Crown Prosecution Service. Whenever it becomes apparent to the professional conduct committee that a criminal offence has been committed, then the matter is adjourned and the police are called in.

However, the Bar Council concedes that the Solicitors Complaints Bureau does operate a more independent investigation and prosecution service. "I think we maintain, with our numbers and with our resources, as much independence as is reasonable to expect," added the spokesman.

Mr Javaid says the Society of Black Lawyers has made representations to the Bar Council about its disciplinary system: "The motivation as to when they act and as to what penalty they impose is still very subjective. At the moment there is a lack of public scrutiny."

When the lawyer's work is not good enough

The integrity of the criminal justice system depends on the assumption that defendants will receive competent advice and representation. But how defence lawyers perform their responsibilities has hitherto received very little attention from academic researchers. Disturbing conclusions have now been reached on this subject by Michael McConville, Jacqueline Hodgson, Lee Bridges and Anita Pavlovic, in *Standing Accused: The Organisation and Practices of Criminal Defence Lawyers in Britain* (Oxford University Press, £35).

Defence lawyers have an important and sensitive function to perform. The client may richly deserve to be locked away for many years. But that is for the court to decide. Unless the defendant's case is properly prepared, lawyers risk contributing to the shamefully long list of recent miscarriages of justice. Defence lawyers must apply the principle expressed by the great American trial attorney, Edward Bennett Williams, when asked whether he believed that Alger Hiss was innocent or guilty of perjury in relation to allegations of spying for the Soviet Union in the 1940s: "He should have gotten off."



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To examine whether defence solicitors are properly performing their role, the authors of *Standing Accused* devised research methods which involved examining the case files of solicitors, attending interviews with clients at solicitors' offices, in police stations and at counsels' chambers, following the cases in court, and discussing working practices with solicitors and with their staff. To minimise influence over the conduct of cases, researchers were attached to some solicitors' firms for a considerable period of time. The findings are based on 198 researcher weeks of observation of criminal defence solicitors and their firms.

The study presents a troubling picture of the way in which legal work was carried out. Clients' case files rarely contained proper proofs of evidence from the defendant and from witnesses, or the other material that would enable cases to be properly prepared rather than merely processed. When, often belatedly if at all, solicitors or their clerks interviewed their clients, this was conducted "in such a way that the client's story never properly emerged". The lack of investigation and preparation by solicitors "throws the burden of the defence onto the defendant". With the lawyers relying on the client to produce relevant material, the evidence for the defence was often inadequate.

In the small minority of cases that proceeded to a Crown Court trial, the solicitors' work tended to be carried out by unqualified staff. At worst, this involved using staff who "do not understand what is happening", who "cannot even distinguish between the various courtroom actors", and who understood their role as involving no more than "sitting behind counsel".

Solicitors and their clerks encouraged clients to believe that cases were won not by thorough preparation of the evidence, but by the forensic ability of the barrister who was instructed. The book quotes a typical discussion between the solicitor's clerk and the client. "Client: Who is the barrister? Is he any good? Clerk: We only instruct the best. Client: But the last one got me two years! Clerk: I didn't say they were magicians."

Standing Accused is powerful evidence of the extent to which the client is dependent on lawyers. By the time they come to court for a substantive hearing, say McConville and his colleagues, "clients are already docile and unresisting, prepared to accept being told what to do or say in court without any explanation". This was achieved "by evoking the images of the prosecution-mindedness of magistrates, the reliability of the prosecution evidence and the weakness of that of the defence", methods which reduced clients' expectations of what could be achieved on their behalf.

The lawyers who participated in the survey worked long hours, for limited financial rewards, in poor working conditions. Profitability depended on delegating work to low-paid, unqualified staff members who were incapable of giving informed advice to clients or properly protecting their interests. Clients rarely enjoyed the assistance of the same personnel from the solicitor's office throughout the criminal process, which made it more difficult for the specific characteristics of each case to be appreciated, and more difficult for the defendant's voice to be heard.

For all the protests from the legal profession about the introduction of standard fees for legal aid, the harsh reality, as revealed by *Standing Accused*, is that clients tend to receive a standardised service which is too often of very poor quality. The research was conducted over a three-year period from October 1988, and the book was published in February. But there is no reason to think that standards changed during the period of this considerable delay. To its credit, the Law Society has responded with measures to tighten professional standards at police stations. But the book identifies fundamental concerns about the provision of legal service which need to be addressed.

● *The author is a practising barrister and a Fellow of All Souls College, Oxford.*

Support in court

CHILD witnesses at criminal trials have benefited from a number of changes in the law, but a significant number of prosecutions still collapse because the experience of court is too traumatic for children.

The Children's Legal Centre is encouraging the use of independent adult supporters for child witnesses, who would act as guardians *ad litem* in civil cases. The sheet includes a check list for adult supporters and a series of suggestions for making a criminal trial less intimidating for a child.

Druids dissent

BRITAIN'S Druids have joined the chorus of criticism against the Criminal Justice Bill. They and other practitioners of pre-Christian and pagan religions number about 20,000 in the UK. They claim that the Bill will make it very difficult for them to hold religious gatherings on traditional sites owing to its severe restrictions on the rights to gather on common ground.

Sex claims rise

THE COMMISSION for Racial Equality dealt with 250 cases in 1993 according to its annual report. Of these, 126 went to industrial tribunals. Meanwhile, the Equal Opportunities Commission saw 195 of its 302 cases going to tribunals, and a 58 per cent rise in complaints of sexual harassment. Average compensation awards in sex discrimination cases rose significantly, as a result of the lifting on the ceiling of compensation while race discrimination awards, where the ceiling remained in place until last month, fell slightly.

On average, race discrimination complainants achieved better results by settling out of court.

Legal move

ANOTHER prominent English lawyer is to join an American firm. John Bellhouse, head of McKenna's Hong Kong office and a construction law expert, is joining the New York firm White & Case's London office as a partner next month.

Noise claim snags

THE BATTLE for compensation by householders allegedly affected by noise from London City Airport has suffered a setback. Judge Rich, QC, has decided that the claim forms submitted on their behalf by the William Ricketts Partnership are invalid because they failed to specify the amount.

The claimants may have to resubmit the forms, losing the right to interest to date, says William Ricketts. "We were not in a position to quantify the claim in advance. The Department of Transport suggested the words used. We have taken further advice and would like to appeal."

Daily reminder

TEXAS judge Ted Poe has come up with an innovative way of ensuring that perpetrators of crime do not forget their victims. When sentencing Manuel Lopez to ten years for the involuntary manslaughter of a family of four when drink-driving, the judge said that a photograph of the family should be hung in Mr Lopez's cell as a daily reminder, and the photo put in his file to remind the parole board when it came to consider early release.

Fraud excess

KPMG's fraud barometer shows that the value of frauds remains higher than at the start of the 1990s, although it is on the wane since the all-time highs created by the Robert Maxwell, BCCI and Polly Peck scandals.

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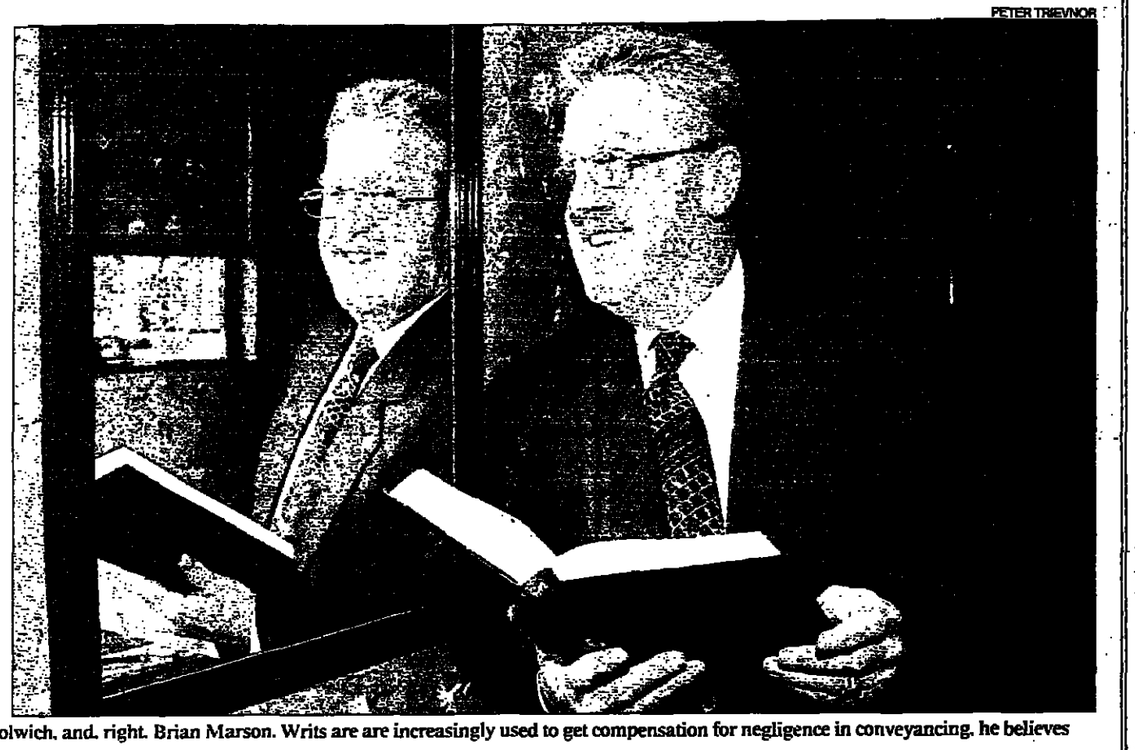
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Writs against solicitors could cost indemnity funds £290 million, says **Hugh Thompson**

Hot on the trail of sloppy solicitors

PETER TREVINOR





Sue Scott, head of legal services at the Woolwich, and, right, Brian Marson. Writs are are increasingly used to get compensation for negligence in conveyancing, he believes

For five years mortgage lenders have hoped that the legal profession's compensation schemes and insurers would pay up in full for any solicitor's part in fraud, negligence or sloppy conveyancing — which has led to as many as one in ten houses being unsaleable. Now there are signs that the temperature is beginning to rise.

Marsons, a five-partner firm in Bromley, Kent, which does a lot of work for two of the top five building societies, has had to take on two more solicitors, not because of any housing boom, but to handle the increasing number of professional negligence writs it is serving on other solicitors. Over the next two years it is predicted that dozens of mortgage lending banks and building societies will issue writs against hundreds of partnerships for sums which will run into hundreds of millions.

The senior partner, Brian Marson, says: "Two years ago we were not serving any writs. Now it's an increasing part of the way lenders are trying to get compensation for the negligence and downright fraud that has gone on in conveyancing. Until 1989, solicitors were too busy to give conveyancing the attention to detail it requires and after that they couldn't afford to give the hours. The result is that in one in ten of the repossession cases we deal with, there is a major legal problem which increases both the loss and the costs of the lender.

"Whereas once the Solicitors' Indemnity Fund [SIF] may have played along and paid up, now, because of the number of cases, they are digging in. So we are going to court." This huge increase in litigation work makes Brian Marson confident that his firm will double in size over the next three years.

Roger Limbert is in charge of the five-partner Building Society Unit with Walker Morris in Leeds. He says: "This escalation is a natural evolution. There has been a long period of negotiation over too many of these cases. Now attitudes are hardening, lenders are increasingly being told that it is their bad lending rather than solicitors' negligence which is at fault. We are serving more writs, but cases are still being settled out of court. There is a case going to the House of Lords where a solicitor was held liable because of breach of trust. If this is upheld it could open the door even wider for the lenders."

FLASH POINTS

Conveyancing problems:

- Bankrupt landlords
- Defective lease
- Fictitious buyer
- Flying freeholds
- Illegal building
- Landlords in receivership
- Missing landlords
- No deeds
- No mortgage deed
- No rights of way
- Planning problems
- Sitting tenants
- Title defects

Source: Marsons

Typically, solicitors acting for buyer, seller and lender are very vulnerable if property deals go wrong, which many have done with the collapse of the housing market. One Law Society proposal is that there should always be separate solicitors, which would add to both the cost and the time involved in house-buying. Conveyancing accounted for 44 per cent of the value of claims against the SIF between 1987 and 1992. It is estimated that these claims will cost the fund some £290 million.

Sue Scott, head of legal services at the Woolwich, the third largest building society, says: "The problems are not going away. We never find out about the negligence or sloppy conveyancing until the time comes to sell the house. With so many trapped in negative equity, many of the problems of 1988-89 have yet to see the light. We have found that the solicitors' compensation and indemnity funds are taking longer and longer to make up their minds, and writs do serve the purpose of concentrating the mind.

"With many of the sole practitioners there is not much point taking them to court — they have done a runner with our money and are sunning themselves in some foreign clime. But partnerships are a different matter and we regularly issue writs against them." The Law Society, which runs the solicitors' indemnity and compensation funds, admits that it has tightened up. It points out that many of these cases involve at least contributory negligence by the lending organisation.

John Young, vice-president of the Law Society and a partner with Cameron, Markby Hewitt, says: "We have got much better at spotting these practices and cases before they get out of hand. One reason that there may be a bit of an upward blip in claims at the moment is because our own beefed-up investigative unit has been more effective. This may mean more claims in the short term but fewer in the longer run."

New laws for new times in new SA

South Africa has begun the task of restoring faith in its judicial system

Arthur Chaskalson, SC, founder of the Legal Resources Centre and recently appointed as president of South Africa's constitutional court, has what may well prove to be the most powerful position in South African politics outside the Cabinet.

The choice will have surprised few: he and Judge Ismail Mahomed, South Africa's sole black Supreme Court judge and the present Chief Justice of Namibia, were considered the only real candidates for the job.

Chaskalson's role as the main draftsman of the constitution prompted some legal scholars to question whether he would be sufficiently independent to act as its principal arbiter. But his position as the country's foremost constitutional lawyer tipped the balance.



Kentridge: fearful about legal transition

The appointment is a ringing endorsement of the work of the Legal Resources Centre (LRC) where for more than a decade he fought apartheid in the courts against daunting odds. The centre itself, meanwhile, has no plans to shut up shop. The struggle against apartheid may be over, but there are numerous and complex problems confronting the profession.

Sydney Kentridge, QC, the eminent South African advocate, echoed the fears of many South African lawyers when he suggested that the system of justice had been so discredited by its role in upholding apartheid that it might not withstand the transition to democracy.

A main task will be to increase the size of the profession and make it (and hence the judiciary) more representative. White lawyers still dominate and it is too small to meet the need for legal services.

The LRC points out there is a sad irony in the inability of law graduates (and in the past five years the number of black law graduates has increased dramatically) to obtain training places while every year the courts send to prison about 120,000 people who have had no representation at trial.

The new government's Reconstruction and Development Programme states that "the system of justice should be made accessible and affordable to all people", and the constitution, which has been in force since April 27, contains a right to representation and a fair trial.

As Mr Geoffrey Budlender, national director of the Legal Resources Centre, points out, unless a system is developed urgently to meet the constitutional requirements, the conviction of every unrepresented person will be liable to be overturned.

In a bid to bring more black law students into private practice and to reduce the costs of extending representation in criminal cases, there are proposals to introduce a scheme for early exit from law school carrying a limited right to practise criminal law in the lower courts.

The South African Law Society has also proposed traineeships for attorneys at clinics attached to law schools throughout the country, although this would only help limited numbers.

The government has promised a doubling of the legal aid budget (only R63 million [approximately £12m] in 1993-94) and committed itself to a public defender programme in an attempt to address the shortage.

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Patient not entitled to his records

Regina v Mid-Glamorgan Family Health Services and Another, Ex parte Martin

Before Lord Justice Nourse, Lord Justice Evans and Sir Roger Parker

[Judgment July 29]

A doctor or a health authority, as the owners of a patient's medical records, were entitled to deny him access to them on the ground that their disclosure would be detrimental to him.

The Court of Appeal so held in reserved judgments dismissing an appeal by the applicant Trevor Henry Martin, from the decision of Mr Justice Popplewell (*The Times* June 2, 1993) whereby he had dismissed an application for judicial review against the decisions of,

(i) the first respondents, Mid-Glamorgan Family Health Services Authority, dated July 17, 1990, refusing to disclose to him his medical reports;

(ii) the second respondents, South Glamorgan Health Authority, dated September 5, 1990, to make considerations of such disclosure conditional on an assurance from the applicant that no potential litigation was contemplated by him in respect of his treatment by South Glamorgan, and

(iii) the second respondents dated November 2, 1990, refusing disclosure to the applicant.

Mr Robin Allen for Mr Martin; Mr D. Huw Lloyd for the respondents.

LORD JUSTICE NOURSE said that in the court below the judge stated the question to be whether a patient had an unconditional right of access at common law to his medical records.

After hearing the arguments in the Court of Appeal, it seemed preferable to state the question thus: Was a doctor or a health authority, as the owner of a patient's medical records, entitled to deny him access to them on the ground that their disclosure would be detrimental to him?

Each of the respondents owned medical records relating to the applicant. He sought disclosure of them to find out more about incidents in his past. Since the latter part of the 1960s he had made many requests for the records which were not on computer and therefore not subject to the Data Protection Act 1984.

The consultant psychiatrist responsible for the applicant had stated in a letter to the second respondent in 1990 regarding the records: "... we have a clear duty to protect retired colleagues. In addition to this I think there is information that would be detrimental for the [applicant] to see. I think it would be therefore a good idea to refuse consent to let [the applicant] see his records."

Thereafter, the solicitor acting for both respondents had written to the applicant's legal advisers refusing disclosure of the records directly to the applicant but offering to give conditional disclosure of them to a medical expert nominated by the applicant. The offer was not accepted.

In his judgment the judge, having referred to the relevant legislation, in particular to the Access to Health Records Act 1990, to guidelines issued by the Department of Health and to the decision of the House of Lords in *Sidaway v Board of Governors of the Bethlem Royal Hospital and the Maudsley Hospital* ([1985] AC 871), held that the applicant had no right of access to his medical records at common law.

He was also of the view that there had been no breach of article 8 of the European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (1953) (Cmd 8969) and that in any event that article had no bearing on his decision as to the position at common law.

The 1990 Act gave a *prima facie* right of access to health records by the individuals to whom they related and other persons. That right could be excluded by section 5(1) if the records disclosed information "likely to cause serious harm to the physical or mental health of the patient or of any other individual". That Act had come into force on November 1, 1991.

It was thus made clear that the statutory right of access was, in a case such as the present, qualified and did not apply at all in relation to records made before November 1, 1991. The question which arose was therefore likely to remain a live one for some time to come.

A public body, as the owner of medical records, could be in a position no different from that of a private doctor whose relationship with his patient was governed by contract. In other words, a public body, in fulfilment of its duty to administer its property in accordance with its public purposes, was bound to deal with medical records in the same way as a private doctor.

A doctor, likewise a health authority, as the owner of a patient's medical records might deny the patient access to them if it was in his best interests to do so, for example if their disclosure would be detrimental to the patient's health.

In the light of the offer made to the applicant by the respondents' solicitor, that was a complete answer to the applicant's application. The respondents had offered all that was necessary to comply with their duty to the applicant.

The judge was entitled, in the exercise of his discretion, to refuse the applicant the relief that he sought and his decision should be affirmed on that ground.

It was inherent in the views expressed above that a health authority, no more than a private doctor, had an absolute right to deal with medical records in any way that it chose. As Lord Templeman had made clear in *Sidaway* (at p904), the doctor's duty, likewise the health authority's, was to act at all times in the best interests of the patient.

Those interests would usually require that a patient's medical records should not be disclosed to third parties; conversely, that they should usually be handed on by one doctor to the next or should be made available to the patient's legal advisers if they were reasonably required for the purposes of legal proceedings in which he was involved.

The respondents' position seemed to be that no practical difficulty could arise in such circumstances but that they would act voluntarily and not because they were under a legal duty to do so. If it ever became necessary for the legal position to be tested, it was inconceivable that that extreme position would be vindicated.

On all the points taken by the applicant, the judge had come to the correct conclusions.

Lord Justice Evans and Sir Roger Parker gave concurring judgments.

Solicitors: Bindman & Partners; Solicitor, Welsh Office.

Hearing parties on gagging order

Regina v Central Criminal Court, Ex parte Godwin and Crook

Before Lord Justice Glidewell, Mr Justice Blofeld and Mr Justice Buxton

[Judgment July 29]

If an issue arose as to whether in a particular case an order should be made under section 39 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 to prohibit the identification of children, and if so how the order should be worded, there was no statutory authority which limited the persons from whom the court was entitled to receive representations on the matter in question.

The Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, so held in dismissing an appeal by Caroline Godwin and Timothy Simon John Crook under section 159 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988 against an order made by Mr Justice Sachs under section 39 of the 1933 Act prohibiting the naming of defendants facing charges at the Central Criminal Court of manslaughter of their child and cruelty to that child and three other children.

Miss Caroline Godwin and Mr Tim Crook in person; Mr Peter A. B. Jackson for the children.

LORD JUSTICE GLIDEWELL, delivering the judgment of the court, said that the original order under section 39 of the 1933 Act made by Mr Justice Sachs at a preliminary hearing was renewed by Judge Grigson at the commencement of the trial in February 1994 but the terms of the order were not recorded.

The appellant, Mr Crook, a journalist practising in the Central Criminal Court, made written representations to the judge about the terms and effect of the order he had made.

Subsequently, with the judge's leave, he made oral representations to the effect that the judge should not have made an order under section 39 at all because the importance of the press being able to report proceedings in court outweighed the effect upon the living children of publication which would identify them.

Representatives of the London Borough of Islington, who had the care of the three children, the victims of the cruelty charges, also made representations to the judge. After considering both arguments the judge ruled that the order should stand.

On appeal Mr Crook and Miss Godwin made three points:

1 The trial judge wrongly exercised his discretion to allow counsel for the London Borough of Islington and for the guardian *ad litem* of the surviving children to address him on the application to vary the section 39 order when he had no power to do so;

2 The effect of the order was to prohibit identification of the defendants and the deceased child and such an order should not have been made;

3 The original order was not properly defined.

In their Lordships' judgment:

1 The judge had a complete discretion to allow representatives of those parties whom he considered had a legitimate interest in the making of, or in opposing the making of, an order under section 39 to make representations to him about the order before he made it;

2 On the evidence before him the decision the judge reached was clearly correct;

3 In general it was necessary when an order was made that its terms were clear and readily ascertainable by those whom it affected.

The court made the following suggestions as to a procedure which should be followed in future:

First, and obviously, if the judge decided in his discretion to make an order, he should make clear what the terms of the order were.

If, as in the present case, there was possible doubt as to which child or children the order related, the judge, or magistrate, had to identify the relevant child or children with clarity.

Second, a written copy of the order should be drawn as soon as possible after the judge or magistrate had made the order orally.

There should be no difficulty in there being available in every court *a pro forma*, on which the necessary details could be entered and which could be amended as necessary to meet an unusual case. That written order, or a copy of it, should then be available in the court office for representatives of the press to inspect.

Third, the fact that an order had been made should be communicated to those who were not present when it was made, perhaps by a short notice included in the daily list, some such words as "Order made under C & Y P Act 1933, s39" appended to the name of the case should suffice.

That would alert the press to the fact that the order had been made. Its terms would then be ascertainable if the second suggestion above was adopted.

Solicitors: Ms M. E. Rosenthal, Islington.

Trading standards inspection is a 'search' under Act

Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council v Debenhams plc

Before Mr Justice Macpherson of Cluny and Mrs Justice Smith

[Judgment July 12]

A routine inspection by a trading standards officer was a search within the ordinary meaning of the word and the provisions of Code B of the *Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (1991 Codes of Practice* relating to search of premises and seizure of property applied.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held when dismissing an appeal by Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council by way of case stated of a decision on a preliminary issue by Dudley Justices on September 10, 1993 when hearing informations preferred against Debenhams plc for eight offences contrary to section 20(1) of the Consumer Protection Act 1987, that Code B applied to routine inspections by trading standards officers.

Mr Michael Stephens for Dudley; Mr Martin Hurst for Debenhams.

MRS JUSTICE SMITH said that enforcement officers had entered the shop premises as of right under powers conferred on them by section 29(1) or (2) of the 1987 Act.

They did not, however, have powers subsequently to require an employee to provide a business record, including a computer print record, because section 29(5) of the 1987 Act did not apply as there were no grounds, reasonable or otherwise, to suspect that an offence had been committed.

The officers were only there to ascertain whether there was evidence of any contravention. Thus when they asked for a computer printout they were dependent on the employee's consent being given willingly.

In her Ladyship's judgment, an employee in that situation ought to have the benefit of the protection of Code B which included being given a notice of the powers and rights of search and being told that he was not obliged to consent to the request.

In order to avoid the application of Code B, the council had to satisfy the court that a routine enquiry was not a search. In her Ladyship's judgment, a search took place when a person entered and looked about. It was not necessary that there should be any physical interference with goods.

In the present case the nature of the official visit was inspection to see if there was any contravention of the 1987 Act. The officers were under a duty to enforce compliance with that Act, having in mind an intention to prosecute if appropriate.

Her Ladyship could not accept that such an activity did not amount to a search and therefore Code B should apply.

Her Ladyship did not accept that that would frustrate the purpose of the officers who were able to turn up unexpectedly to check on unscrupulous business people. It was quite clear that the provisions of the Code could very well be complied with at the moment an officer entered premises, albeit unexpectedly.

An officer would have to have with him a notice of his powers, the rights of the occupier and would have to issue the warning about giving consent which he could do as soon as he arrived.

It might be that an officer would have to carry a suitably drafted notice to present to a businessman. None of the provisions of Code B required that advance warning be given.

Mr Justice Macpherson agreed.

Solicitors: Sharpe Pritchard for Mr John Polychronakis, Dudley; Mr Ian Jackman.

Privilege in interlocutory proceedings

Def American Inc v Phonogram Ltd

Before Mr Justice Lindsay

[Judgment July 27]

The rule that the reading in open court of part of a privileged document resulted in waiver of privilege in the whole did not apply where the non-waiving party had already seen the whole document.

Mr Justice Lindsay so held in the Chancery Division when granting to the plaintiff, Def American Inc, injunctive relief against the defendant, Phonogram Ltd, restraining its use of material in its possession covered by the plaintiff's legal professional privilege.

Mr John McDonnell, QC and Mr Simon Barker for the plaintiff; Mr Joseph Smouha for the defendant.

MR JUSTICE LINDSAY said that the plaintiff sought to prohibit use by the defendant of material which his Lordship found to be covered by the plaintiff's legal professional privilege. In particular, its use at a forthcoming interlocutory hearing in the Chancery Division was sought to be restrained.

The material consisted of a tape recording and transcript of a telephone conversation between officers or employees of the plaintiff and one of its legal advisers which had come into the possession of the defendant.

The defendant had, however, resisted injunctive relief on the ground that the privilege in the material was dependent on its confidentiality, that nothing that passed in open court was confidential and that, as the plaintiff had referred by its junior counsel to the material in a hearing in the motions court before Mr Justice Chadwick on July 21, it had irrevocably lost or waived whatever privilege there might have been in the material.

That reference had consisted not in the plaintiff's deploying the evidence in the sense of relying on it for its truth or falsity but of referring the motions judge to certain passages of the transcript by paragraph or page numbers; two or three of its 300 lines had been read out in order to indicate to the judge passages which demonstrated, for example, that the transcript contained material relevant to the plaintiff's action.

Counsel had expressedly reserved the plaintiff's position with regard to a possible action for breach of confidence and had in terms asserted that the defendant was breaching the plaintiff's legal professional privilege.

The defendant had relied on *Great Atlantic Insurance Co v Home Insurance Co* ([1981] 1 WLR 529) where the reading at the opening of a trial of part of a privileged document was held by the Court of Appeal to have resulted in the loss of privilege in the whole notwithstanding that, when reading it, the plaintiff's counsel had not appreciated that the document was part of a larger document containing privileged material.

In the instant case there had been express reservation of the plaintiff's right to complain and no one listening in the motions court could have thought that the plaintiff was intending to waive its legal professional privilege.

Great Atlantic did not, however, apply for two reasons. First, the party claiming privilege in that case had introduced the document at trial, not at an interlocutory hearing, a distinction which was perhaps unsatisfactory but vital if *Calcraft v Guest* ([1898] 1 QB 759) and *Ashburton v Pape* ([1913] 2 Ch 469) were to stand together.

Second, the reasoning in *Great Atlantic* was completely inapplicable where the party resisting privilege had itself seen the document in question: in the instant case, the plaintiff was not relying merely on parts of a document which the defendant had not seen.

It was the defendant which had produced the document in its entirety and the plaintiff, so far from relying on parts of it, was resisting introduction of the whole.

Thus free from authority, his Lordship was firmly of the view that it was not just to treat the plaintiff as having waived its legal professional privilege in the material in dispute and accordingly would restrain the defendant from using it.

Solicitors: Richards Butler; Mischon de Reya.

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Third major crown confirms Zimbabwean's elevated status

Princely Price approaches perfection

BY JOHN HOPKINS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA

WHEN Nick Price rolled in his final putt at Southern Hills here on Sunday evening, he did more than win $350,000 (about £233,300) for becoming US PGA champion for the second time in three years. He announced that, without fear of contradiction, he is the best player in the world.

It is not just because of this victory, nor just because of his win in the Open Championship at Turnberry a month ago. It is because, for the best part of two years, nobody has played so often and so well. His total of 269 here, the lowest score at a major championship in the United States, brought his fifth victory this year (including two majors) and, in all, his sixteenth since his success in the US PGA Championship at Bellerive, St Louis, 24 months ago.

His prize-money during this golden spell is $5.6 million (about £3.7 million). He has had 39 top-ten finishes in 59 tournaments. Nobody can

1, Nick Price (Zimbabwe)	21 11
2, Greg Norman (Australia)	20.73
3, Nick Faldo (England)	16.87
4, Bernhard Langer (Germany)	15.78
5, Fred Couples (United States)	14.62
8, José-Maria Olazábal (Spain)	12.51
7, Ernie Els (South Africa)	12.26
8, David Frost (South Africa)	11.39
9, Cory Pavin (United States)	10.82
10, Colin Montgomerie (Scotland)	10.46

come within a bull's roar of such a record. He is the game's dominant player, the man golf has been searching for since Nick Faldo won five major championships between 1987 and 1992 and, before him, Tom Watson headed the US PGA Tour money-list for the fifth time in 1985, by which time he had won eight major championships.

It is easy to be magnanimous in victory. Everyone is nice to you and you feel as though you are walking on air. Price, 37, was magnanimous in defeat, too, in the aftermath of his loss to Watson in the Open at Royal Troon in 1982. Later that week, I tracked Price down on the telephone. He sounded as though he had come to terms with the loss. He was not filled with self-pity. He was pragmatic. Then, and subsequently, he was charming. "How's it?" is his usual greeting, with an occasional "How is it, man?" thrown in for good measure. In a sport that has more than its share of gentlemen, he is a prince.

On Sunday night, after his six-stroke victory and before he was encircled by backslappers, autograph-seekers and people who just wanted to say hello, Price spoke eloquently of his place in the game. No, he said, he did not bear comparison with Jack Nicklaus, even though Nicklaus hardly had such a 24 months as Price has had. "I'm 16 major championships behind Jack Nicklaus," Price said. "I don't think I'll ever class myself in his league until I win that many."

Yes, he said, he admired Arnold Palmer for the love of the game that Palmer had. No, he said, it was unfair to the Americans to emphasise the sudden dominance of non-American players.

"Look at Greg [Norman] and me for example," he said. "You can't classify us as total foreigners, even though we are not American-born. We are not total foreigners. We have learnt so much of our golf here and in Europe." And because he is unbiased on this subject, his words rang true.

Price is a product of the David Leadbetter teaching school, as is Faldo. Price and Leadbetter were playing golf together in Zimbabwe [then Rhodesia] when they were eight years old. After Severiano Ballesteros won the Open at Royal Lytham in 1988 and Price finished second for the second time in six years, it was Leadbetter who pointed out to Price that his short game, particularly his putting, was not good enough.

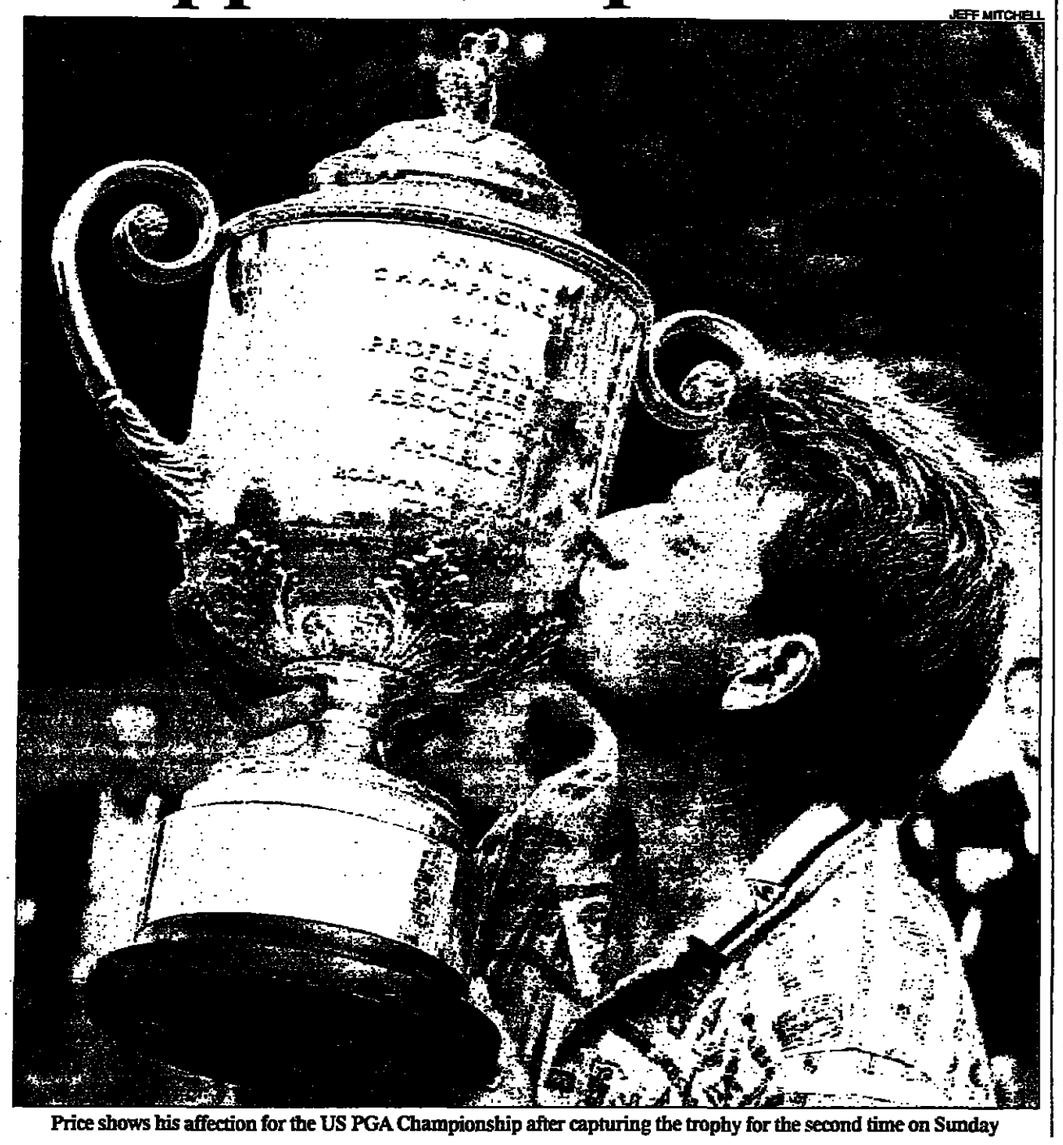
To Price, that was enough. He went away, practised hard and turned himself into the complete player he is today. He attributed his victory last week to his short game. "My round-the-green play was flawless this week," he said.

"God, he's magnificent to watch," Ben Crenshaw, the player-cum-historian, said. "He's a man in full flight. He knows his game as well as anyone else knows theirs. He's so strong. That is one thing that is often overlooked. And he is so confident in the way he is playing. His putting comes and goes along with everybody else's, but I'd say, striking the ball, he's as good as anyone since Ben Hogan."

Will Price last? The odds are that he can, even if he cannot quite continue this pell-mell run of success. He came to success late, serving an apprenticeship on the PGA European Tour when his quick and rather flicky swing let him down in the moments of greatest stress.

By the time he was 34 and a regular on the US Tour, he had won one tournament. By the same age, Watson had won 28. Price seems at peace with himself. Setting up his own management company to look after himself (and now Ernie Els) was the last step. He has a supportive wife, a growing family, his own plane. We have not seen the last of Nicholas Raymond Leige Price.

JEFF MITCHELL



Price shows his affection for the US PGA Championship after capturing the trophy for the second time on Sunday

FINAL SCORES FROM TULSA

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269: N Price (Zim) 67, 65, 70, 67. 275: C Pavin 70, 67, 69, 69. 276: P Mickelson 68, 71, 67, 70. 277: N Faldo (GB) 73, 67, 71, 66; G Norman (Aus) 71, 69, 67, 70; J Cook 71, 67, 69, 70. 278: J M Olazábal (Sp) 72, 66, 70, 70; S Elkington (Aus) 73, 70, 66, 69. 279: I Woosnam (GB) 68, 72, 73, 66; T Kite 72, 68, 69, 70; B Crenshaw 70, 67, 70, 72; L Roberts 69, 72, 67, 71; T Watson 69, 72, 67, 71. 280: J Haas 70, 67, 68, 75.

281: K Triplett 71, 69, 71, 70; L Mize 72, 72, 67, 70; M McNulty (Zim) 72, 68, 70, 71; G Day 70, 69, 70, 72. 282: F Zoeller 69, 71, 72, 70; C Stadler 70, 70, 74, 68; M McCumber 73, 70, 71, 68; B Gleason 71, 73, 68, 70; C Strange 73, 71, 68, 70; C Parry (Aus) 70, 69, 70, 73. 283: B Lane (GB) 70, 73, 69, 72; B Langer (Ger) 73, 71, 67, 72; D Frost (SA) 70, 71, 69, 73; E Els (SA) 68, 71, 69, 75; J Sluman 70, 72, 66, 75. 284: S Torrance (GB) 69, 75, 69, 71, S Faxon 72, 73, 73, 66, W Grady (Aus) 75, 68, 71, 70; B Boyd 72, 71, 70, 71; L Clements 74, 70, 69, 71; R Zokol (Can) 77, 67, 67, 73. 285: C Montgomerie (GB) 67, 76, 70, 72. C Beck 72, 70, 72, 71; B McCallister 74, 64, 75, 72. 286: F Couples 68, 74, 75, 69; S Mayfair 73, 72, 71, 70; G Morgan 71, 68, 73, 74; T Lehman 73, 71, 68, 74; H Irwin 75, 69, 68, 74. 287: N Lancaster 73, 72, 72, 70; D Edwards 72, 70, 74, 71; D Gilford (GB) 69, 73, 73, 72.

288: W Andrade 71, 71, 78, 68; F Allem (SA) 74, 67, 74, 73, B Estes 72, 71, 72, 73; A Magee 70, 74, 71, 73; F Nobilo (NZ) 72, 67, 74, 75; G Kraft 74, 68, 70, 75; M Ozaki (Japan) 71, 69, 72, 76; D A Weibring 69, 73, 70, 76. 289: D Han 72, 71, 75, 71; F Funk 76, 69, 72, 72; H Sutton 76, 69, 72, 72; T Dolby 73, 68, 75, 73; K Perry 78, 67, 70, 74; M Springer 77, 66, 69, 77. 290: R Floyd 69, 75, 73, 72, T Nakajima (Japan) 73, 71, 74, 72; R McDougal 75, 69, 72, 73; L Wadkins 69, 73, 73, 75, B Fleisher 75, 68, 72, 75.

291: L Janzen 73, 71, 73, 74, J D Blake 72, 71, 74, 74; P Stewart 72, 73, 72, 74; J Inman 70, 72, 73, 76, T Smith 74, 69, 71, 77. 292: P Senior (Aus) 74, 71, 70, 77. 297: A Lyle (GB) 75, 70, 76, 76.

Luyt persuaded to withdraw his resignation

BY DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

LOUIS Luyt, the controversial president of the South African Rugby Football Union (Sarfu), won the sporting and political endorsement he sought yesterday when he reversed his decision of the weekend to resign his post.

After discussions with Steve Tshwete, the minister for sport, and a meeting of the Sarfu executive committee in Cape Town, in which Luyt took no part, he agreed to rescind his resignation. He will remain at least until the World Cup has been played in South Africa next year. "If I'm not good enough then I'll be voted out, but I'll give it the best shot I can," he said in Johannesburg.

Luyt's initial announcement, made in the country's leading Sunday newspapers, threw South Africa's rugby administration into disarray and precipitated the second emergency meeting of the executive committee within six days. The first, last Wednesday, produced a confrontation between Luyt and Jannie Engelbrecht, the national team manager Luyt described as a "has-been".

That meeting lasted six hours and ended in an apparent reconciliation between the two men; the meeting yesterday lasted nearly four hours and eight of the ten members endorsed Tshwete's efforts to make Luyt change his mind. The remaining two, Ronnie Masson and Keith Parkinson, represent Western Province and Natal respectively, the provinces of Engelbrecht and Ian McIntosh, the embattled South Africa coach, whose future remains in the balance.

Luyt, speaking on a Johannesburg radio station, said: "I had a long discussion with Mr Tshwete and I have made a commitment to him to stay on during a difficult period with the World Cup just round the corner." Luyt admitted he should not have reacted as he did to the dispute between him and Engelbrecht, "but that's the way I am. I am 100 per cent committed to South African rugby and I want to serve the game the best I can".

As matters stand, Luyt has withdrawn his resignation and Sarfu has to decide whether to pay off McIntosh for the remaining period of his coaching contract and appoint a replacement — probably Nelie Smith, from Orange Free State, with Ray Mordt, from Transvaal, as his assistant — or to retain a man whose teams have lost demanding series with France, Australia and New Zealand, shared a series with England and beaten Argentina.

In world terms, no matter how easily he raises the hackles of his international opposite numbers, it is probably better that Luyt remains in place. His grip on South African rugby is such that he can make it function effectively and, at this time, the country is desperate for stability, in its rugby as in so many other directions.

Engelbrecht, meanwhile, arrived in Britain yesterday to inspect facilities at venues the South Africans will visit on their autumn tour to Wales, Scotland and Ireland. His prestige has not suffered after his stand against Luyt — indeed, his position has been confirmed — and he will hold a press conference this morning, doubtless to express the hope of a less controversial tour than that just concluded in New Zealand. Biting comments will not be in order.

Mr Fixit on course through the crises



Oliver Holt meets Bernie Ecclestone, a powerful man with his hands full fighting to keep Formula One on track

BERNIE Ecclestone's bus was parked high on a bank overlooking the paddock at the Hungaroring last weekend. He could see everything from there through its dark, tinted windows: the emissaries of drivers and teams flitting from one motorhome to another in the quest to finalise deals for next season; limousines bearing dignitaries to their luxury seats.

Directly opposite, a group of journalists gathered outside the Benetton team's marquee. Ecclestone gave them a glance. He had just come from a meeting with Hungarian government ministers; Silvio Berlusconi, the Prime Minister of Italy, had telephoned the night before to try to salvage his country's grand prix.

Ecclestone is renowned in Formula One for being the wheeler-dealer supreme, the man who pulls the strings. This season, he has had his hands full. The sport lurched from crisis to crisis in the aftermath of Ayrton Senna's death, and now the controversy over Benetton's removal of a filter from their refuelling equipment has raised the possibility of the championship's leading team and driver being expelled, their results expunged from the records.

Ecclestone, the president of the Formula One Constructors' Association, said he was planning to bring forward the hearing that would decide Benetton's fate from its scheduled date in mid-October to one in early September. By then, Schumacher will know whether his appeal against a two-race ban, imposed for ignoring a black flag during the British Grand Prix, has been successful. But Ecclestone suggested that the team may escape severe punishment for the absence of the filter, which was discovered after fire engulfed the car of Jos Verstappen, Schumacher's team-mate, during the German Grand Prix.

"People have been talking about expulsion from the championship, but I think that would be unfair," Ecclestone said. "I imagine they have suffered enough punishment with the press that they've had. It has not been super press, has it? But, if it is decided they did take the filter out without the permission they say they received from the International Motor Sport Federation, they will undoubtedly receive some form of reprimand. The whole issue has damaged the credibility of Benetton, but not of the sport."

Ecclestone admits that most teams are now opposed to refuelling because of the dangers: "I think everybody except Ferrari would sign today to say get rid of it," he said. "Personally, I think it adds a lot to the race. It makes for good strategy and I wouldn't change anything. If we continue to refuel, hopefully we have learnt so much from the fire that it won't happen again.

"We got a lot of publicity and Benetton got a lot of publicity. It was upsetting for everyone involved, but we found out things we might not have discovered otherwise. I reckon, in general, Formula One has taken a big leap forward again this year. The crowds are up everywhere, television ratings are up and I think the racing has been closer. We're looking good."

Ecclestone played a big part in Nigel Mansell's appearance for Williams at the French Grand Prix last month and is optimistic that he will return full-time next season after competing in three more races for the team this year. "The odds are they will get together for next year," he said.

Last night, it was announced that next month's Italian Grand Prix, cancelled last Friday due to concerns about the Monza circuit, was back on the calendar after a programme of safety measures was agreed. Another piece was slotted into the jigsaw for next season when it became apparent that Rubens Barrichello, the Jordan driver from Brazil, was on the verge of agreeing a three-year contract with McLaren. Christian Fittipaldi, his compatriot, may replace him at Jordan. Martin Brundle, who is likely to be displaced by Barrichello, is expected to return to Ligier.

"Each year, people grow into new jobs with the big teams and suddenly they are superstars because they get a lot of publicity," Ecclestone said. "Nobody had ever heard of Briatore two years ago. At the beginning of last year, Damon Hill could have walked up and down this paddock and nobody would have recognised him."



Ecclestone: pulls strings

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Week of exciting competition gives way to night of glittering stars

Record hopes rise as circus moves on



David Powell travels from Helsinki to Zurich, where tomorrow's Weltklasse meeting will see athletes at their peak

FROM the land of a thousand lakes to a place where Linford Christie's appearance fee is a drop in the ocean. The European championships have ended and, tomorrow, the meeting known as the one-day Olympics will restore the season's performances to their pre-Helsinki level.

The European championships comprised eight days of competition without a world record. One such day for the Weltklasse, Zurich's annual grand prix meeting, is considered a let-down. Some SFr5 million (£2.5 million) is the budget this year and a succession of world record attempts is being lined up.

The Weltklasse meeting's outlay is second to none on the grand prix circuit. Among the expensive plums are Christie against Leroy Burrell for the first time since the American broke the 100 metres world record six weeks' ago, with Lewis, Mitchell and Cason thrown in. The women's 200 metres features Privalova, Ottey, Perec and Torrence.

Noureddine Morceli goes for a 5,000 metres world record. Moses Kiptanui (3,000 metres steeplechase), Maria Mutola (800 metres) and Sonia O'Sullivan (mile) are also looking to add to the season's eight world records. Helsinki it will certainly not be.

It would be easy to denigrate the European championships on the basis of poor times, heights and distances by today's grand prix standards — a women's 1,500 metres won in 4min 18.93sec and a men's long jump with 8.09 metres, for example — but valid to credit them for exciting competition, the like of which is often asphyxiated by meeting promoters' obsession for world records.

One thinks of Ladejo against Black in the 400 metres; of Anton outkicking Rousseau for the 10,000 metres after nine men had been within a second of each other at the bell; of Gurina and Dukhnova, in the 800 metres, crossing the line inseparable to the naked eye; and of Helan setting a French record in the fifth round of the triple jump only for Kapustin to beat him by seven centimetres with his final effort. The grand prix rarely triggers scenes of joy similar to those precipitated by the Spanish medal sweep in the men's marathon.

The low performance rating in some events was also partly offset by eight championship records. Considering that either an Olympic Games or world championships is now held three years in four, it is inevitable that the European event will suffer from some luminaries — notably Sergey Bubka this time — not wishing to take part and others not preparing as assiduously as they might.

To a grand prix audience, it tends not to matter who finishes second, but, when medals are at stake, interest does extend beyond the winner. The women's 4 x 400 metres relay brought Russia, Germany and Britain racing for the line so close together that one almost forgot that Perec, of France, was out in front.

By taking the 400 metres, Perec prevented Russia from winning all the women's individual flat track events from 100 to 1,500 metres. Russia still finished top of the table with ten gold medals. Britain maintained the position it established at the world championships last year, finishing as second European nation, ahead of Germany.

Spain dominated the men's running events above 800 metres. They won the 1,500 metres (Cacho), 10,000 metres (Anton) and marathon (Fiz), taking two silvers and two bronzes as well. For the first time since 1971, Britain do not have a men's European middle-distance champion.

Six gold medals was an inferior tally for Britain compared with the last two European championships (nine in 1990 and eight in 1986). The total medals won was also down, 13 compared with 18 in 1990 and 15 in 1986.

Privalova, who won the 100 and 200 metres, was the only athlete to win two individual titles. Roger Black joined Harald Schmid on a record number of five European golds held by one man, courtesy of the 4 x 400 metres after being denied a third successive individual title.

John Regis, having become, in 1990, the first man to win four medals at a European championships, is probably now the first to drop out of one championships twice. He announced his withdrawal when an Achilles tendon injury flared up before the 200 metres. After it responded to treatment, he said he would travel to Helsinki for the sprint relay. When he arrived, he found the injury was too severe and dropped out again.

Christie and Heike Drechsler succeeded where Black failed, the only athletes to win a third successive gold medal in an individual event. Drechsler won the long jump, but it was a poor championships for her country, Germany. Not until the last event, when Dieter Baumann took the 5,000 metres, did they win a men's track title. Christie, Drechsler and Sally Gunnell are the only athletes to have won Olympic, world and European titles in successive years from 1992.

There were distractions for Britain caused by the Solomon Wariso drugs controversy and Linford Christie wearing an illegal T-shirt on the track. The British Athletic Federation is to work on improving drugs education and on contracts to ensure the honouring of commitments. While, clearly, there are areas in which to improve, the rest of Europe — outside Russia — was still asking, in Helsinki, how does Britain do it?

MEDAL TABLE

	G	S	B	T
Russia	10	8	7	25
Great Britain	6	5	2	13
Germany	5	4	5	14
France	4	3	2	9
Ukraine	3	6	3	12
Spain	3	2	4	9
Norway	3	2	1	6
Italy	2	3	3	8
Portugal	2	1	0	3
Bulgaria	2	0	3	5
Belorus	1	4	0	5
Finland	1	1	0	2
Ireland	1	0	0	1
Slovenia	1	0	0	1
Sweden	0	2	0	2
Belgium	0	1	2	3
Poland	0	1	1	2
Czech Republic	0	1	1	2
Hungary	0	1	0	1
Romania	0	0	3	3
Switzerland	0	0	2	2
Croatia	0	0	1	1
Greece	0	0	1	1
Latvia	0	0	1	1
Lithuania	0	0	1	1

ARNE DEDERT



Heike Drechsler's long jump victory was one of Germany's five gold medals at the European championships

Scotland hold up badminton draw

SCOTLAND have forced Commonwealth Games badminton officials to delay the individual tournament draw after a dispute over seedings. The Scots are angry that none of their players have been seeded, even though they occupy higher places in the world rankings than several of the seeded competitors.

Ian Turner, the team spokesman, confirmed that appeals had been lodged with local organisers and the International Badminton Federation: "Scotland weren't happy to have the draw delayed but we are seeking fair redress," he said.

"One of our players, David Gilmour, is ranked at least 20 places higher up the world rankings than someone who has been seeded. Nobody in the Scotland camp has received any explanation at all." Scotland were also unhappy not to be seeded in the team competition, but decided not to appeal after being placed in the same group as Australia, the country they felt had deprived them of a seeded place.

Latimer serves notice

TENNIS: Louise Latimer, 16, a qualifier from Sutton Coldfield, caused an upset in the first round of the Midland Bank national junior championships at Nottingham yesterday when she beat the No 6 seed, Tina Croson, 6-3, 6-4 with a confident serve-and-volley display.

There were no such problems for the two leading seeds, Lizzie Jelfs and Katia Roubanova, who eased through to the second round with comfortable straight-sets victories. Jelfs, the runner-up last year, beat Sarah Kirby, of Wales, 6-2, 6-2, and Roubanova emerged victorious against Kerry Hughes by 6-0, 6-3.

Chaser leads pack

YACHTING: *Chaser*, the Joint Services yacht skippered by Malcolm Roberts, was first to reach Muckle Flugga last night to lead the Teesside British Isles race on the final stage of the second leg to Lerwick. It was a tenuous advantage however, for, as dusk settled, the German yacht, *Hamburg*, Ian Postlethwaite's Sigma 38 *Rapscallion* and *Sticky Fingers*, Simon Rogers' Whitbread 30 yacht were all within sight of each other. The contest is just as fierce within a second group of yachts that include Nick Booth's crew of multiple sclerosis suffers aboard *Multiple Challenge*.

England claim draw

HOCKEY: England emerged with a creditable 1-1 draw against Germany at Bisham Abbey yesterday in the first of two training matches. England went ahead in the 25th minute from their first short corner, Nick Thompson scoring with a deft flick. The Germans' confidence was restored when Stengler scored two minutes after the interval. England then showed some lively work in attack, with Thompson and Shaw being denied by the substitute goalkeeper, Arntzen.

Salford's fourth signing

RUGBY LEAGUE: Salford have made a fourth significant pre-season signing with the capture of Jason Williams, the 21-year-old New Zealand international wing. Salford already have on board Sam Panapa, a fellow Kiwi, Scott Mahon, of Australia, and Mike Gregory, the former Great Britain captain, for the new season, which starts this week. Oldham yesterday signed Jason Temu, 22, from New Zealand, and Neil Battye, formerly of Castleford, Doncaster and Leeds.

Ekpenyong sent home

COMMONWEALTH GAMES: Udime Ekpenyong, a Nigerian athlete, has been sent home from Canada after trying to take steroids into the country for the Commonwealth Games. Ekpenyong, 21, who was due to run the 400 metres and 4 x 400 metres relay, was found carrying the banned drug, testosterone, which is illegal in Canada, by customs officials at Vancouver airport. However, he will escape any ban from athletics' governing body as possession of drugs is not an offence.

FOR THE RECORD

BASKETBALL

TORONTO: World championship: Final: United States 137 Russia 91. Final standings: 1, United States; 2, Russia; 3, Croatia; 4, Greece; 5, Australia; 6, Puerto Rico; 7, Canada; 8, China; 9, Argentina; 10, Spain; 11, Brazil; 12, Germany; 13, South Korea; 14, Egypt; 15, Cuba; 16, Angola.

BOWLS

WORTHING: Open tournament: Pairs (selected results from early rounds): M Bolton and P Reeves bt T Wheeler and M Overington 20-18, G Jones and G Osborne bt R Keller and R Briden 25-17, G Cooke and E Southon bt T Giggle and J Sheppard 19-18, T Pullin and A Ash bt R Kimmens and J Hughes 25-9, M Dare and G Hewetson bt E Davies and L Geal 20-19, B Jones and R Paine bt P Faulkner and M Parker 22-11, S Hayward and E Hayward bt J Owens and C Greig 27-10, G Hesketh and C Blinco bt D Hall and P Lunt 21-17, G Bridger and T Caswell bt T Parry and D Gimshaw 23-18, B Norwell and N Lazonby bt D Hodgkins and R Lee 23-12, N O'Donovan and D Dennis bt D Brown and C Alexander 22-12, D Palmer and W Hayward bt R Hayward and P Hunt 22-19, C Boozer and P Wescher bt D Harding and J Mackmey 24-16, D Smith and D Bishop bt A Adamson and J Austin 20-16, R King and F Parker bt D Davies and E Parsons 22-19, R Finney and R Eaton bt G Allan and S Snowdon 25-22, A Ridout and R Ridout bt R Rice and F Deakins 27-12, S Harris and A Rushdon bt S Brehm and K Yale 26-13, S Ede and L Prince bt S Young and R Palmer 18-14, B Sinclair and D Lee bt J Ward and J McNeil 23-22.

CRICKET

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Swindon: Berkshire 236-7 dec (G Loveday 111 not out; M Holland 6-75) and 16-0 Wiltshire 232-4 dec (S Penn 68 not out) Marlow: Norfolk 230-9 and 24-1; Buckinghamshire 215-5 (M J Roberts 111 not out) Bowdon: Cheshire 225-3 dec (S Crawley 102, P Bryson 79 not out), Oxfordshire 298-3 (J Batty 97, S Waterton 72).

CROQUET

CARDEN PARK: World championship: Quarter-finals: R Fulford (Eng) bt R Bamford (SA) -25tp, +26tp, +5tp, A Westerby (NZ) bt M Taylor (Aus) +25tp, +7otp, S Cornish (Eng) bt M Kobell (Aus) -25tp, +28tp, +17; C Clarke (Eng) bt C Irwin -25tp, +26tp, +11tpo.

CYCLING

PALERMO: World championship: Men: 200m sprint: Qualifying round: D Hill (Aus) 10.321, C Hamelt (Can) 10.330; R Chiappa (It) 10.359; E Pokorny (Ger) 10.402, J Fiedler (Ger) 10.406, F Magne (Fr) 10.442, M Nothstein (US) 10.472, M Hubner (Ger) 10.598; A Kikuzs (Lat) 10.604, F Colas (Fr) 10.620, B Clay (US) 10.653, F Pans (It) 10.713, F Gordon (Arg) 10.744; J Soh (US) 10.755, P Sulpice (Fr) 10.764, L Vassilopoulos (Gr) 10.799, V Berzins (Lat) 10.842, J Jerabek (Slovakia) 10.880, I Shelinskyi (Russ) 10.899, E Schoets (Bel) 10.897; B Dandanell (Den) 10.903, L Nielsen (Den) 10.921, J-M Loyola (Arg) 10.952; M Hrbacek (Slovakia) 10.955. 4,000m pursuit: Qualifying round: C Boardman (GB) 4min 29.332sec, J Lehmann (Ger) 4.30.407, G Fulst (Ger) 4.32.743, P Ermenault (Fr) 4.32.754, F Moreau (Fr) 4.32.975, S O'Grady (Aus) 4.33.477; D Woods (Aus) 4.33.910, J-M Oliver (Sp) 4.34.456.

TOUR OF HOLLAND: First stage (Breda to Nieuwegein, 170km): 1, D Konyshev (Russ) 4hr 9.33sec; 2, L Scinto (It) same time; 3, D Acdoupaarov (Uzb) at 23sec behind; 4, T Steels (Bel), 5, J Koerts (Holl), 6, S Bauer (Can) all same time.

FOOTBALL

ARGENTINIAN LEAGUE: Boca Juniors 1 Independiente 1; Mandryu de Comentes 2 River Plate 2, Deportivo Español 0 Belgrano de Cordoba 0, Estudiantes de la Plata 0 Ferro Carril Oeste 0, Banfield 4 Gimnasia y Esgrima de La Plata 1, Rosario Central 3 Velez Sarsfield 1; Platense 4 Gimnasia y Tiro de Salta 1, Racing Club 2 Lanus 0; San Lorenzo 0 Newell's Old Boys 0; Argentinos Juniors 2 Huracan 2.

BRAZILIAN LEAGUE: Flamengo 1 Sport 1, Criciuma 1 Corinthians 1, Bragantino 1 Gremio 0; Botafogo 1 Vitoria 1, Santos 1 Remo 0, Guarani 3 Cruzeiro 0, Fluminense 3 Nautico 1, Internacional 2 Uniao São João 0; Palmeiras 4 Parana 1; Paysandu 0 São Paulo 0, Atletico-MG 0 Portuguesa 0, Vasco 0 Bahia 0.

CZECH LEAGUE: Sparta Prague 2 Benesov 0; Zlin 0 Slavia Prague 4, Ostrava 1 Pizen 0, Hradec Kralove 0 Cheb 1, Brno 2 Liberec 2; Jablonec 3 Drnovice 1, Ceske Budejlowce 1 Sigma Olomouc 1.

HUNGARIAN LEAGUE: Vasas 3 UTE-Novabau 5, Debrecen VSC 1 Stadler FC 0; PMSC-Fordan 1 ETO FC Gyor 0; Sopron LC 2 Bekescsaba 2, Csepel-Kordax 1 Kispest HFC 2, Ferencvaros 4 BVSC-Dreher 1, Vac FC-Samsung 3 Nagykanizsa 0.

RUSSIAN LEAGUE: Dynamo-Gazovik Tyumen 3 Teksistshchik Kamyshin 1, Kamaz Naberezhnye Chelny 4 Zhemchuzhina Sochi 2, Torpedo Moscow 0 Dynamo Moscow 1; Spartak Vladikavkaz 1 Lada Togliatti 2, Uralmash Yekaterinburg 4 Lokomotiv Moscow 4, Rotor Volgograd 5 Krylya Sovetov Samara 0.

TURKISH LEAGUE: Zeytinburnuspor 1 Fenerbahce 4, Galatasaray 3 Gencarbirligi 1; Trabzonspor 3 Altay 1, Adana Demirspor 1 Antalyaspor 0, Bursaspor 5 Pertolleispor 2; Vanspor 3 Kayserispor 0, Kocaelispor 0 Samsunspor 0, Denizspor 1 Besiktas 3, MKE Ankaragucu 1 Gazantiepspor 0.

ULSTER CUP (corrected results): Section C: Lame 0 Ballymena 1. Section D: Omagh Town 0 Ballyclare 2.

GOLF

GRAND RAPIDS, Michigan: Seniors' tournament: Leading final scores (United States unless stated): 136: A Jackin 68, 68; 137: D Stockton 67, 70; 138: L Trevino 72, 66; J Albus 66, 72.

DAYTON, Ohio: Women's tournament: Final scores (United States unless stated): 210: M Will 70, 70, 70, J Brles-Hinton 65, 72, 70; A Dibos (Peru) 67, 72, 71 (Will won at 2nd extra); 211: T Kerdyk 74, 69, 68; B Daniel 70, 70, 71; 212: J Dickinson 69, 75, 68; 213: D Richard 73, 73, 67; E Gibson 70, 72, 71, R Jones 69, 72, 72; S Hamlin 72, 68, 73; 214: L Kiggens 70, 73, 71, M Redman 70, 71, 73, B Thomas 68, 72, 74.

EUROPEAN TOUR: Order of Merit (GB and Ire unless stated): 1, J-M Olazábal (Sp) £315,530; 2, C Montgomerie £227,934; 3, B Langer (Ger) £227,910; 4, M-A Jimenez (Sp) £270,347; 5, M Rae £267,227; 6, M McNulty (Zim) £227,443; 7, E Els (SA) £224,325; 8, N Faldo £222,099; 9, S Ballesteros (Sp) £218,838; 10, R Allenby (Aus) £201,813; 11, H Clark £193,359; 12, C Mason £180,384; 13, P Mitchell £179,373; 14, D Gilford £162,081; 15, J Parnevik (Swe) £159,133; 16, A Forsbrand (Swe) £156,746; 17, J Lomas £150,245; 18, V Singh (Fiji) £143,550; 19, G Hjertstedt (Swe) £136,355; 20, M James £135,765.

MOTOR SPORT

LEXINGTON, Ohio: Mid-Ohio Indycar race: 1, A Unser Jr (US), Penske Ilmor, 83 laps, (av speed 177.485kph); 2, P Tracy (Can), Penske Ilmor, 83, 3, E Fittipaldi (Br), Penske Ilmor, 83, 4, R Gordon (US), Lola Ford Cosworth, 82; 5, M Andretti (US), Reynard Ford Cosworth, 82; 6, A Fernandez (Mex), Reynard Ilmor, 82; 7, N Mansell (GB), Lola Ford Cosworth, 82; 8, R Boesel (Br), Lola Ford Cosworth, 82; 9, J Villeneuve (Can), Reynard Ford Cosworth, 82; 10, M Andretti (US), Lola Ford Cosworth, 82; 11, S Sharp (US), Lola Ford Cosworth, 82; 12, S Johansson (Swe), Penske Ilmor, 81; 13, A Luyendyk (Holl), Lola Ilmor, 81; 14, J Vasser (US), Reynard Ford Cosworth, 81; 15, D Dobson (US), Lola Ford Cosworth, 81; 16, M Schiatarella, (It), Lola Ford Cosworth, 81; 17, E Cheever (US), Lola Ford Cosworth, 80; 18, H Matsushita (Japan), Lola Ford Cosworth, 80; 19, M Baldi, (It), Lola Ford Cosworth, 80; 20, M Smith (US), Lola Ford Cosworth, 80; 21, T Fabi (It), Reynard Ilmor, 79; 22, S Goodyear (Can), Lola Ford Cosworth, 76; 23, P Johnstone (US), Lola Honda, 76; 24, C Bourdonnais (Can), Lola Ilmor, 59; 25, M Gugelmin (Br), Reynard Ford Cosworth, 55; 26, Groff (US), Lola Honda, 47; 27, B Rahal (US), Lola Honda, 46; 28, W T Robbs (US), Lola Ford Cosworth, 4. Championship standings: 1, Unser Jr 153pts; 2, E Fittipaldi 117; 3, Tracy 91; 4, Andretti 90; 5, Gordon 87; 6, Mansell 79.

MOTOR RALLYING

SYDNEY: Australian Safari Rally: Second stage: 1, B Garland (Aus) and H Suzuki (Japan), Isuzu Bighorn, 5hr 7min 40sec; 2, J-P Fontenay (Fr) and B Musmura (Fr), Mitsubishi Pajero; 3, R Owen (Aus) and R Cairns (Aus), Nissan Patrol.

STAGE RALLIES: Valley Services (Wales): 1, E Jones (Vauxhall Astra) 10min 28sec; 2, J Walsh (Ford Escort) 26.34, 3, D Quinn (Ford Escort) 26.43. Festival: (Scotland): 1, C Guy (Toyota Celica) 34min 28sec; 2, G Boyd (Escort Cosworth) 35.05, 3, T Janeta (Escort Cosworth) 35.06. Bovingdon (Buckinghamshire): 1, C Fame (Metro 6R4) 52min 56sec; 2, S Peck (Metro 6R4) 53.43; 3, J Hankenell (Metro 6R4) 53.44. Royal Graphics Historic: (Surrey): 1, G Howe (MG Midget) 64min 25sec; 2, P Crampton (Porsche 911) 64.51, 3, G Taylor (Hillman Imps) 65.0. Apex Stationery: (Gloucestershire): 1, T Curnock (Escort-Astra) 47min 4sec; 2, R Archer (Ford Escort) 47.35; 3, R Newman (Ford Escort) 48.14.

RUGBY UNION

TOULON, France: Sevens tournament: Semi-finals: Argentina 24 France 12, Samoa 15 Tonga 5. Third place play-off: Tonga 40 France 14. Final: Argentina 27 Samoa 7.

SHOOTING

BISLEY: National smallbore rifle meeting: HH Darby Trophy (Bisley 3 x 20 championship): 1, A Cornish (Chobham) 566pts. Sporrit Trophy (Women): 1, C Beale (Chippenham) 537. Laws Trophy (Junior Women): 1, Beale 537. Class B: 1, A Lewis (East Antrim) 546, 2, R Conway (Comber) 542. Class C: 1, S Elliott (Torfaen) 518, 2, N Horner (Gogs) 513. Weekend Aggregates: GPO Rifle Club Trophy (Class X): 1, W Brown (Chobham) 961 South Africa Trophy (Class A): 1, J Howden (Morley) 971; 2, Wingrove Trophy (Class B): 3, F Boucher (Kettering) 965. Elles Shield (Class B) 1, N Batson (NAE Stevenage) 965. Joe Blackburn Memorial Trophy (Class D): P Thueson (Denmark) 953.

SWIMMING

INDIANAPOLIS: United States national championship: Men: 100m breaststroke: 1, S van Nearden 1min 1.40sec; 2, E Wunderlich 1:01.95, 3, T Mayfield 1:02.44 200m freestyle: 1, C Carvin 1min 49.19sec, 2, J Piersma 1.49.79, 3, U Taner 1:49.98. Women: 100m freestyle: 1, J Thompson 55.56sec; equal 2, A Martino 55.84 and N Haslett 55.84, 4, T Dolan medley: 1, M Wagner 4min 40.27sec, 2, K Ousnce 4:43.53, 3, A Kample 4:48.26.

TENNIS

CINCINNATI: Men's tournament Final: M Chang (US) bt S Edberg (Swe) 6-2, 7-5. SAN MARINO: Men's tournament: Final: C Costa (Sp) bt O Gross (Ger) 6-1, 6-3. LEBANON: Men's tournament: Final: R Agenor (Hait) bt H Leconte (Fr) 6-1, 6-4. LOS ANGELES: Women's tournament: Final: A Frazier (US) bt A Grossman (US) 6-1, 6-3.

NOTTINGHAM: Midland Bank national junior championship: Girls' 16 and under: First round: S Dunham (Sussex) bt K Cook (Derbyshire) 6-0, 6-4; J Choudhury (Cambridgeshire) bt A Napier (Surrey) 6-2, 6-2; L Jones (Somerset) bt C Skinner (Kent) 6-1, 7-5; E Langley (Shropshire) bt T Blackburn (Somerset) 7-5, 6-2; J Welch (Lancashire) bt A Joy (Somerset) 6-1, 5-3; R Dunbar (Dorset) bt G Mewett (Sussex) 6-2, 7-6; S Turner (Sussex) bt H Frankland (Derbyshire) 6-4, 6-3; L Reilly (East of Scotland) bt R Anders (Lancashire) 2-6, 6-3, 6-1; J Dawson (Sussex) bt C Reid (Surrey) 6-3, 4-6, 7-5; L Lesmer (Warwickshire) bt T Croson (Derbyshire) 6-3, 6-4; A Buggins (Wiltshire) bt L Perkins (Durham and Cleveland) 6-1, 7-5; L Naqushbandi (Essex) bt J Fitzgerald (Cheshire) 7-5, 6-4; A Tordoff (Kent) bt C Bristow (Buckinghamshire) 6-4, 5-7, 6-0; T Callow (Middlesex) bt F D'Amato (Bedfordshire) 6-0, 6-4; E Smith (Wiltshire) bt S Lydon (Somerset) 7-5, 6-2; L Austin (Sussex) bt J Taylor (Cheshire) 6-3, 6-1; (2) K Roubanova (Berkshire) bt K Hughes (Leicestershire) 6-0, 6-3.

ATP MEN'S RANKINGS: 1, P Sampras (US) 5,058pts; 2, G Ivanisevic (Cro) 3,182; 3, S Bruguera (Sp) 2,860; 4, S Edberg (Swe) 2,793; 5, M Stich (Ger) 2,770; 6, M Chang (US) 2,579; 7, A Medvejev (Ukr) 2,458; 8, B Becker (Ger) 2,269; 9, T Martin (US) 2,201; 10, J Courier (US) 2,136, 11, A Berasategui (Sp) 2,107; 12, T Muster (Austria) 1,878; 13, P Korda (Cz) 1,864; 14, E Kafelnikov (Russ) 1,676; 15, W Ferreira (SA) 1,538; 16, C Pioline (Fr) 1,508; 17, M Gustafsson (Swe) 1,497; 18, A Agassi (US) 1,482; 19, C Costa (Sp) 1,411; 20, M Rosset (Switz) 1,411. British placings: 75, J Bates 566; 83, M Peschey 536; 155, T Henman; 282, 212; C Wilkinson 193; 261, C Bailey 137; 283, R Matheson 134; 292, D Sapsford 113; 306, N Gould 106; 326, B Cowan 97; 383, G Henderson 84.

POOLS FORECAST

Saturday August 20 unless stated

Coupon No. fixture, forecast

FA PREMIERSHIP

1 Arsenal v Man City 1
2 Chelsea v Norwich 1
3 Coventry v Wimbledon 1
4 C Palace v Liverpool 2
5 Everton v Aston Villa X
6 Ipswich v Nottm F 1
7 Man Utd v QPR 1
8 Sheff Wed v Tottenham 2
9 Soton v Blackburn 1
10 West Ham v Leeds 2

Not on coupons: Leicester v Newcastle (Sunday)

FIRST DIVISION

11 Bolton v Bristol C 1
12 Burnley v Stoke X
13 Charlton v Barnsley X
14 Derby v Luton 1
15 Port Vale v Oldham 2
16 Reading v Portsmouth 1
17 Southend v Middsbro X
18 Sunderland v Millwall 1
19 Tranmere v Swindon 2
20 Watford v Grimsby 2

Not on coupons: Notts County v Wolves (Sunday). West Bromwich Albion v Sheffield United

SECOND DIVISION

21 Birmingham v Chester 1
22 Bournemth v Blackpl 1
23 Bradford C v Leyton O 1
24 Brentford v Peterboro X
25 Brighton v Plymouth 1
26 Bristol R v York 1
27 Cambridge v Stockpt 2
28 Cardiff v Oxford 2
29 Crewe v Rotherham 1
30 Huddrfld v Wycombe 1
31 Hull v Swansea 2
32 Shrewsbury v Wrexham X

THIRD DIVISION

33 Doncaster v Northptn 1
34 Exeter v Bury X
35 Hart'pool v Darlington 2
36 Hereford v Preston 2
37 Mans'fd v Colchester 2
38 Rochdale v Chest'field X
39 Scarboro v Barnet 1
40 Scunthorpe v Fulham 1
41 Torquay v Carlisle 1
42 Walsall v Lincoln X
43 Wigan v Gillingham 1X

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44 Bromsgrove v Southpt X
45 Farnboro v Kidd'ster 2
46 Gateshead v Bath X
47 Macclesfield v Welling 1

SCOTTISH PREMIER

48 Aberdeen v Falkirk 1
49 Celtic v Dundee Utd 1
50 Hibs v Kilmarnock 1
51 Motherwell v Hearts 1
52 Partick v Rangers X

SCOTTISH FIRST

53 Airdrie v St Johnstone 2
54 Ayr v St Mirren 1
55 Clyde'k v Dunfrmlne X
56 Dundee v Stranraer 1
57 Raith v Hamilton 2

SCOTTISH SECOND

58 Brechin v Berwick 2

Not on coupons: Meadowbank v Morton, Queen of the South v Clyde, Stenhousemuir v East Fife, Stirling v Ross; Forfar v Alloa.

TREBLE CHANCE (home teams), Everton, Burnley, Charlton, Southend, Brentford, Shrewsbury, Exeter, Rochdale, Walsall, Bromsgrove, Gateshead, Partick.
BEST DRAWS: Everton, Burnley, Southend, Walsall, Bromsgrove.
AWAYS: Tottenham, Leeds, Oldham, Oxford, Preston.
HOMES: Chelsea, Ipswich, Southampton, Sunderland, Birmingham, Bradford, Scunthorpe, Torquay, Wigan, Macclesfield, Hibernian, Dundee.
FIXED ODDS: Homes: Sunderland, Birmingham, Bradford, Wigan, Dundee. Aways: Leeds, Kidderminster, Berwick. Draws: Everton, Burnley, Southend.

☐ Vince Wright

FOOTBALL

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated

Coca-Cola Cup

First round: First leg

Barnet v Leyton Orient (7.45)
Blackpool v Chesterfield
Bournemouth v Northampton (7.45)
Bradford v Grimsby (7.45)
Burnley v York
Bury v Hartlepool
Cardiff v Torquay
Colchester v Brentford (7.45)
Crewe v Wigan
Gillingham v Reading (7.45)
Hereford v West Brom (7.45)
Hull v Scarborough
Lincoln v Chester
Luton v Fulham (7.45)
Oxford United v Peterborough (7.45)
Rochdale v Mansfield
Rotherham v Carlisle
Scunthorpe v Huddersfield
Shrewsbury v Birmingham
Southend v Watford (7.45)
Walsall v Plymouth (7.45)

Scottish Coca-Cola Cup

Second Round

Ayr v Celtic
Dumbarton v Hearts
Falkirk v Montrose
Morton v Airdrie
Motherwell v Clydebank (6.30)
Partick v Brechin
St Mirren v Dundee United

DIADORA FOOTBALL LEAGUE: Premier Division: Aylesbury v Sutton United; Grays v St Albans; Hendon v Bishop's Stortford; Kingstonian v Wokingham; Marlow v Slough, Yeading v Walton and Hersham. First division: Barking v Wivenhoe; Basingstoke v Ruislip Manor; Berkhamsted v Aldershot Town; Billericay v Wembley; Boreham Wood v Whyteleafe; Leyton v Addington Town; Maidenhead United v Heybridge Swifts; Newbury Town v Staines, Tooting and Mitcham v Worthing; Uxbridge v Dorking. Second division: Banstead Athletic v Windsor and Eton, Barton Rovers v Hungerford; Chalfont St Peter v Bracknell; Cheshunt v Tilbury; Edgware Town v Witham; Egham v Oxford City; Hampton v Ware, Hemel Hempstead v Aveley; Malden Vale v Leatherhead. Third division: Bedford Town v Kingsbury; Camberley v Northwood, Canvey Island v Epsom and Ewell; Cove v Clapton; Flackwell Heath v Harefield United, Hertford Town v Tring; Hornchurch v Feltham and Hounslow; Horsham v East Thurrock United; Lewes v Collier Row.

PONTINS LEAGUE: First division: Sheffield United v Tranmere (7.0) Second division: Manchester City v Preston (6.45); Oldham v Sheffield Wednesday (7.0)

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First division: Crystal Palace v Swindon (2.00)

CARLING NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Bacup Borough v Rossendale United; Bootle v Blackpool Rovers; Burscough v Bradford Park Avenue; Eastwood Hanley v Prescot; Newcastle Town v Nantwich; Salford City v Kidsgrove Athletic; Trafford v Glossop North End. Lamot Pils Trophy: Ashton Town v Blackpool Mecs; Atherton Collieries v Totley Walker; Daisy Hill v Castleton Gabriels; Hasingden v Squires Gate; Irlam Town v Maghull.

UNIJET SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE: First division: Arundel v Pagham; Burgess Hill Town v Southwick; East Grinstead v Three Bridges; Langney Sports v Hailsham; Newhaven v Eastbourne; Portfield v Littlehampton; Ringmar v Wick; Shoreham v Whitehawk.

WINSTONLEAD KENT LEAGUE: First division: Beckenham v Cray Wanderers; Chatham v Tunbridge Wells; Crockenhill v Thamesmead Town; Herstmonceux v Ramsgate; Folkestone Invicta v Whitstable; Herne Bay v Faversham; Sheppey United v Deal; Slade Green v Corinthian.

ULSTER CUP: Section A: Bangor v Glentoran; Linfield v Glenavon. Section B: Ards v Coleraine, Portadown v Newry. Section C: Distillery v Ballyclare; Glentoran v Omagh Town. Section D: Cliftonville v Ballymena, Crusaders v Larne.

CRICKET

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP (second day of three): Gloucester (King's School): Gloucestershire v Glamorgan. Southampton: Hampshire v Durham. Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Leicestershire. Taunton: Somerset v Essex. Hove: Sussex v Middlesex. Walmley: Warwickshire v Yorkshire. Worcester: Worcestershire v Northamptonshire.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP (first day of two): Wellington: Shropshire v Oxfordshire. Stone: Staffordshire v Bedfordshire.

OTHER SPORT

CROQUET: World championship (Carden Park, Chester).
GOLF: Welsh professional championship (Northop Country Park, Wrexham).
MODERN PENTATHLON: World championship (Sheffield).

Answers from page 40

PANGERAN

(a) A Javanese prince or noble, also *pangarung*, from the Indonesian word: "He came into the Council-hall where all the rajahs, pangerans, and head-men were assembled, with the queen, reclining on a high couch under a canopy."

RECKITT

(c) Used in the possessive as the proprietary name of a blue for laundry use, also the name of the colour of this substance, a clear cobalt blue, also erroneously *Reckett*, an eponym. *Trade Marks Journal*, 1877: "Reckitt's Blue in squares will be found far more beautiful & much more economical than any other. . . Fracis Reckitt, of Hull, Yorkshire, on behalf of self and partner, James Reckitt."

PALAIC

(c) The name of an Anatolian language, known from the Hittite archives, also of or pertaining to this language, from *Pala* apparently a district of Asia Minor.

PROSOPON

(c) Outward appearance or aspect, from the Greek *prosōpon* face. Auden, *American Scholarship*, 1947: "Even the dinner waltz is a voice that assaults/ International wrong. . ./ Completely delivering to the sick,/ Sad, soiled prosopon of our ageing/ Present the perdition of all her rage."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

1 Bxg6 is unanswerable, as 1 . . . hxg6 2 Qh8 and 1 . . . fxg6 2 Qe6 are both mate.

Results from company golf days

The four top scorers in the individual Stableford competitions played on the company golf days listed below now comprise the company team eligible to qualify for a regional final.

1, G Kendrick 39; 2, F Palmer 35; 3, J Blake 32; 4, W Carey 31

1, R Walker 41; 2, T Dykes 39; 3, M Webb, 37; 4, P Young, 29

1, T Blenkinsopp 37; 2, J Cooper 34; 3, A Lee, 33; 4, D Brooker 32

1, S Stuart 41; 2, S Rose 39; 3, B Ballou 35; 4, R Laishman 31

1, P Marazzi 40; 2, J Sinclair 40; 3, M Rae 31; 4, F Innes 30

1, J Higgins 47; 2, N Rigby 44; 3, R Ross-Russell 43; 4, G Faulkner 34

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Grand Lodge to take honours

By Julian Muscat

KING'S Theatre journeys to the Knavesmire today to defend the reputation of an entire generation in the £200,000-added Juddmonte International Stakes. In addition to the silks of his part-owner, Shaikh Mohammed, the colt will carry the standard for the three-year-old crop, hitherto much maligned until King's Theatre annexed the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot last month.

With Erhaab and Balanchine sidelined, King's Theatre remains the only active middle-distance three-year-old with designs on championship status. Henry Cecil, his trainer, is confident King's Theatre can emulate Troy, the only colt to endorse his King George victory in the admittedly short 22-year history of the York showpiece. In reality, few have attempted this prestigious double.

Nap: ALWAYS ALOOF (2.35 York)

NB: Here Comes A Star (4.15 York)

To judge by his King George victory, the likely ground at York — on the fast side of good yesterday — should not inconvenience King's Theatre. However, admirable though that victory was, the antics of Ezzoud, who unceremoniously dumped Walter Swinburn soon after the start, had an incalculable effect on the final outcome. It may be wise to defer judgment on King's Theatre's ability until after this race, especially at his present odds of 7-4.

So what of his seven opponents? Bob's Return and Alflora would be better served by further and shorter respectively. And Ezzoud, a surprise winner of this race 12 months ago, remains something of an enigma. Certainly, he has the measure of Spartan Shareef, who trailed him by 6½ lengths last season, and he will be more at home here than at Ascot where, at the royal fixture in June, Muhtarram mastered him a shade more convincingly than implicit in the official neck verdict. Chatoyant, a further short-head in arrears, has a mountain to climb on 4lb worse terms.

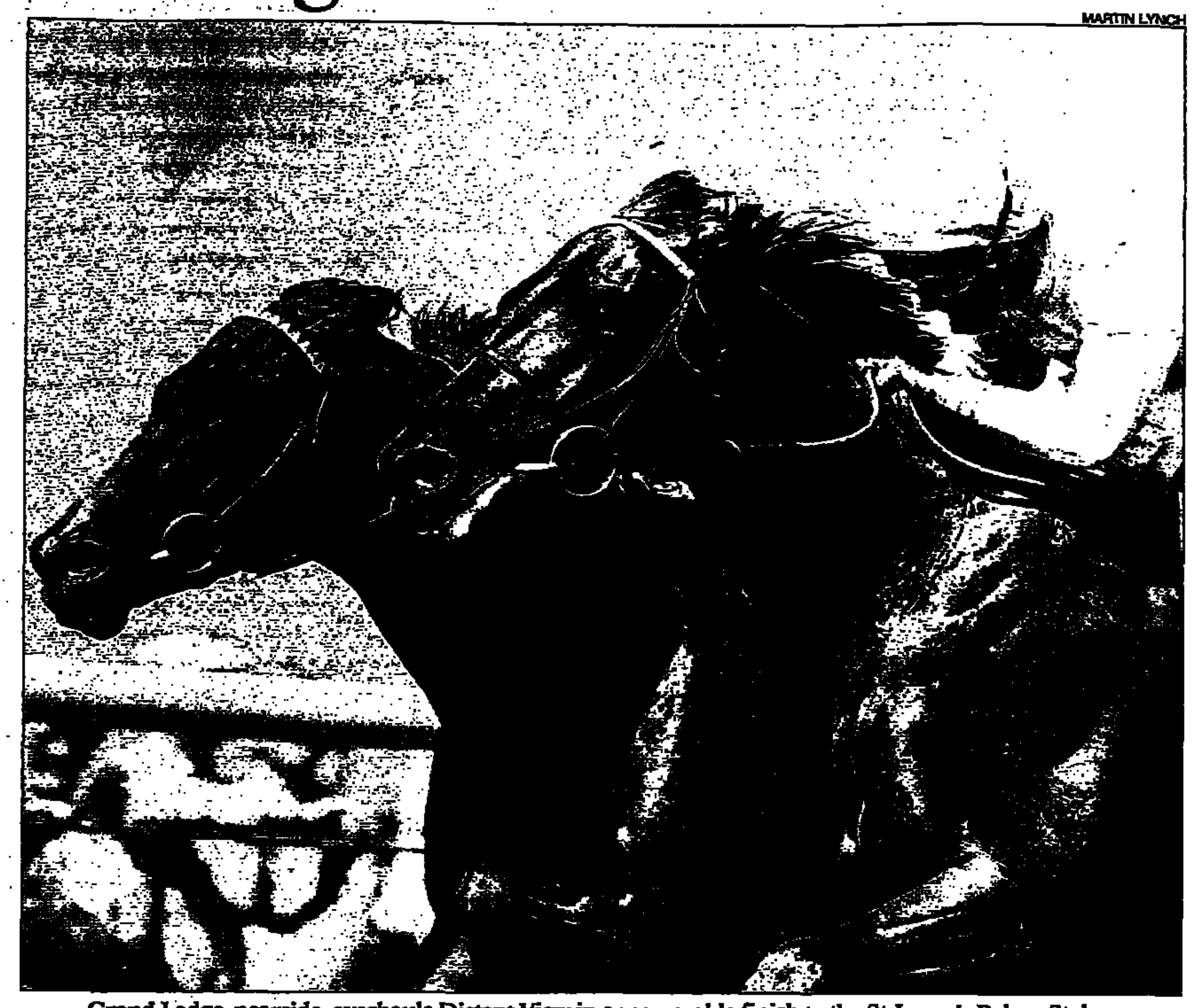
But preference is for **Grand Lodge**, a new recruit to the ten-furlong scene. Lord Howard de Walden's colt has been competing with credit against some vintage milers all season. Furthermore, he thrives on his racing, as did Rodrigo De Triano, who stepped up from a mile to land this race two years ago.

Leslie Harrison, Lord Howard's racing manager, revealed yesterday that Pat Eddery, Michael Kinane and Lanfranco Dettori have all dismounted from Grand Lodge with the opinion that he would relish ten furlongs. "The horse's pedigree can be read both ways," Harrison said, "but his style of racing has indicated he may well be better over the extra distance."

On the subject of pedigree, Grand Lodge is bred along similar lines to the Geoffrey Freer winner, Red Route, who is by a son of Danzig, Polish Precedent, from a Habitat mare. Furthermore, Grand Lodge's dam, the unraced La Papagena, is half-sister to Eagling, a stakes-winning colt by Nureyev. It is most unlikely that Grand Lodge will fail through a lack of stamina.

Incidentally, Lord Howard de Walden yesterday announced he is selling off his Thornton Stud, near Thirsk, which has been home to his home-bred stallion, Kris, for 14 years. "He doesn't spend enough time at Thornton to justify maintaining it," Harrison explained yesterday. Lord Howard's mares will move to Plantation Stud in Newmarket, to be developed into a stallion station, and the mares' progeny will be grazed at his Templeton Stud in Berkshire.

Elsewhere on an attractive supporting card, **Ptoto** is fancied in a competitive renewal to the Lonsdale Stakes. The son of Mtoto has it in him to launch a decisive assault on the leaders up the long home straight. **Anniversarypresent** can open his account in the Eglington Nursery after meeting trouble in running at Goodwood last time.



MARTIN LYNCH

Grand Lodge, nearside, overhauls Distant View in a memorable finish to the St James's Palace Stakes

Sacrament can gain fourth victory in a row



TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

YORK

C4

2.05: Options Open broke the juvenile six-furlong record at Windsor last time and with the distant runner-up winning since the form looks solid. The likely strong pace will suit Pentire, whose breeding suggests he will appreciate the step up to seven furlongs. Geoff Wragg's colt has improved with every run but a line of form involving Otterbourne makes Istidaad a tough nut to crack. Alec Stewart's hope made a most favourable impression on his debut when chasing home the Barry Hills-trained Juyush at Ascot. However, Hills runs **Doubleton** here and, after just going down in a blanket finish to the well-regarded Kamaa Taraani, he can win.

2.35: Michael Stoute and Guy Harwood have each won this valuable handicap twice and there is every chance one of them will strike again. Transom ran his best race when just failing to catch Silence In Court and Bold Gait at Goodwood and runs off the same handicap mark this afternoon. However, I am sweet on the chances of **Always Aloof** after seeing the Stoute runner win with something in hand at Sandown a month ago. The Alleged colt is progressing well. Slasher Jack has been raised 9lb for an easy win here, but the step up in trip may help Steve Norton's gelding improve again as he seeks his fourth handicap success this term.

3.10: see left

3.45: The absence of Foyer, due to a leg injury, may not stop Michael Stoute taking this with **Sacrament**. Winner of three of his four races, he began by defeating the St Leger-bound Red Route in a Redcar maiden over ten furlongs before successfully stepping back in trip at Epsom. The adaptable son of Shirley Heights then raced over a mile and a half at Haydock and readily beat Suplizi, who subsequently just lost out to Broadway Flyer at Goodwood. Although John Hills's one-time Derby favourite is the logical form choice, Sacrament has more scope for improvement. The unbeaten Double Trigger makes his long-awaited seasonal debut but Strategic Choice, fifth in the French Derby, looks the main threat.

4.15: In sprint handicaps finding where the pace is likely to come from often points towards the winner and horses in low to middle numbered stalls look favoured here. Lord Olivier, fourth in the Stewards' Cup, runs off his Goodwood mark but has never won a handicap. Robin Lake has risen 27lb in the handicap following four straight victories but Ian Balding's sprinter only had to be pushed out for her latest success.

However, I am keen on **Here Comes A Star**, who has hardly run a bad race this season and goes particularly well for Kevin Darley. The six-year-old ran a cracker last Wednesday when carrying top weight at Beverley, and now he returns to the trip which saw him win well at Thirsk last month.

Richard Evans

Six-point deduction will apply at end of season

By Russell Kempson

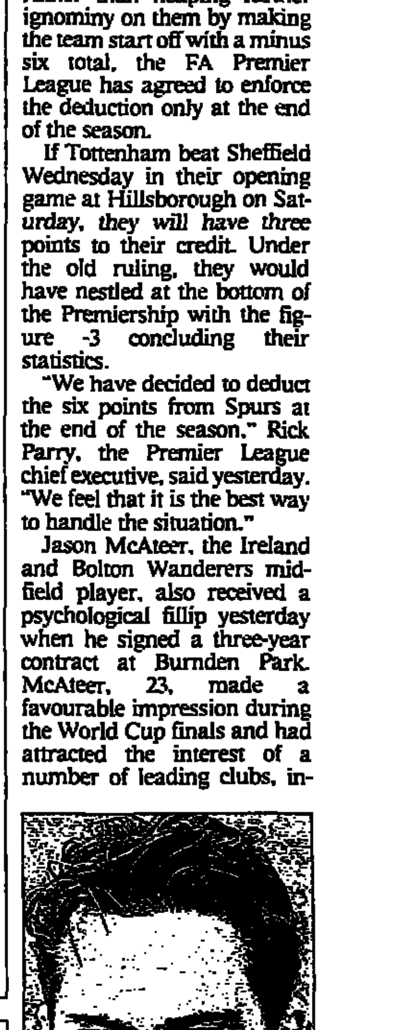
A CURSORY glance at Tottenham Hotspur's place in the FA Carling Premiership table this season could prove misleading. Only with a mental deduction of six points can football supporters work out the club's true position.

Tottenham were docked 12 points, reduced to six on appeal, during the summer for financial irregularities, but rather than heaping further ignominy on them by making the team start off with a minus six total, the FA Premier League has agreed to enforce the deduction only at the end of the season.

If Tottenham beat Sheffield Wednesday in their opening game at Hillsborough on Saturday, they will have three points to their credit. Under the old ruling, they would have nestled at the bottom of the Premiership with the figure -3 concluding their statistics.

"We have decided to deduct the six points from Spurs at the end of the season," Rick Parry, the Premier League chief executive, said yesterday. "We feel that it is the best way to handle the situation."

Jason McAteer, the Ireland and Bolton Wanderers midfield player, also received a psychological fillip yesterday when he signed a three-year contract at Burnden Park. McAteer, 23, made a favourable impression during the World Cup finals and had attracted the interest of a number of leading clubs, including Liverpool, Blackburn Rovers and Arsenal.



McAteer: new contract

Alan Stubbs, the England B defender and Bolton captain, has agreed the same deal with Bruce Rioch, the Bolton manager. "We are absolutely delighted they want to stay with us," Rioch said. "Both lads are happy here and we are happy to have them."

Rioch further strengthened his Endsleigh Insurance League first division squad by paying £350,000, which equals the club record, for Fabian DeFreitas, 22, from Volendam. DeFreitas, a striker, joins his compatriot, Richard Sneekes, who moved from another Dutch club, Fortuna Sittard, for £150,000 last week.

Not so settled, though, is Richard Jobson, 31, the Oldham Athletic and former England B central defender. He asked for a transfer yesterday, feeling a return to the Premiership would enhance his chances of England recognition at senior level.

Joe Royle, the Oldham manager, said: "Richard came to see me and explained his point of view. He believes he is still capable of winning international honours if he is playing in the top league." Oldham were relegated from the Premiership last season.

York

THUNDERER

2.05 Pentire. 2.35 TRANSOM (nap). 3.10 Muhtarram. 3.45 Broadway Flyer. 4.15 Sir Joey. 4.45 Ptoto. 5.15 Winterbound.

Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.45 BROADWAY FLYER.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.05 Pentire. 3.10 King's Theatre. 4.45 PTOTO (nap).

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing: J if jumps, F if flat. (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good. S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM — DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE — SIS

2.05 DEPLOY ACOMB CONDITIONS STAKES (C4)

(2-Y-O: £13,024: 6f 214yd) (6 runners)

101	(2)	511	TILER 10 (D,F,S) (Mrs C Robinson) M Johnston 9-2	J Weaver	88
102	(1)	313	PENTIRE 19 (G) (Mollers Racing) G Wragg 9-0	Paul Eddery	[illegible]
103	(3)	3	DOUBLETON 24 (Shaikh Mohammed) B Hills 8-10	M J Kinane	90
104	(6)	2	ISTIDAAD 25 (H Al Maktoum) A Stewart 8-10	W Carson	88
105	(5)	0431	OPTIONS OPEN 22 (F) (Mrs L Davies) R Hannon 8-10	Pat Eddery	89
106	(4)		ALESSIA (D Deer) B Hills 8-5	M Hills	—

BETTING: 9-4 Pentire, 7-2 Istidaad, 4-1 Doubleton, 9-2 Options Open, 6-1 others.

1993: CONCORDIAL 8-12 Pat Eddery (5-1) R Charlton 8 ran

FORM FOCUS

TILER completed double, beat Mankul ¾l in 3-runner conditions race at Ayr (7f, good to soft). PENTIRE 1¼l 3rd of 6 to So Pelas in group II Richmond Stakes at Goodwood (6f, good to firm). DOUBLETON head and short-head 3rd of 9 to Kamaa Taraani in maiden at Ascot (6f, good to firm). ISTIDAAD ¾l 2nd of 7 to Juyush in maiden at Ascot (7f, good to firm). OPTIONS OPEN beat A Million To One 9l in 12-runner maiden-auction at Windsor (6f, good to firm). ALESSIA (foaled Apr 13; cost 52,000gns). Sister by Caerleon to very smart middle-distance stayer Casey; dam fair sprinter at three years.

Selection: PENTIRE

2.35 KNIGHT AIR MELROSE RATED HANDICAP (C4)

(3-Y-O: £16,309: 1m 5f 194yd) (9 runners)

201	(5)	4-42114	DARONNE 40 (D,F,G,S) (Shaikh Mohammed) L Cumani 9-7	M J Kinane	92
202	(9)	0-14151	SLASHER JACK 39 (C,F,G) (T Chiang) S Norton 8-10	J Tate (3)	94
203	(4)	321-442	COIGACH 54 (G) (Sir David Wills) H Cecil 8-8	W Ryan	92
204	(7)	0-21341	ALWAYS ALOOF 33 (D,F,G) (S Hanson) M Stoute 8-7	W R Swinburn	[illegible]
205	(1)	4-3113	TRANSOM 18 (F) (S Coles) G Harwood 8-7	R Cochrane	91
206	(3)	214220	BRANDON COURT 20 (G,S) (R Michaelson) I Balding 8-7	M Hills	95
207	(2)	432210	LOMBARDIC 20 (F) (K Abdulla) B Hills 8-7	Pat Eddery	[illegible]
208	(6)	022341	CUANGO 42 (F) (Mrs S Facchino) R Hollinshead 8-7	S Perks	90
209	(8)	4-5341	FARRINGDON HILL 20 (B,F) (B Hathaway) W Hern 8-7	Paul Eddery	86

Long handicap: Brandon Court 8-4, Lombardic 8-4, Cuango 7-13, Farringdon Hill 7-12.

BETTING: 9-2 Always Aloof, Transom, 5-1 Slasher Jack, 11-2 Coigach, 6-1 Lombardic, Daronne, 8-1 others.

1993: EDBAYSAAN 8-13 Pat Eddery (8-1) H Cecil 12 ran

FORM FOCUS

DARONNE about 6l 4th of 7 to Red Route in listed race at Newmarket (1m 7f, good). Previously beat COIGACH (2lb better off) 1½l in 4-runner conditions race at Salisbury (1m 6f, firm). SLASHER JACK beat BRANDON COURT (6lb better off) 6l in 5-runner handicap here (1m 4f, good). ALWAYS ALOOF beat Honey Mount 2½l in 9-runner handicap at Sandown (1m 6f, good), with FARRINGDON HILL (5lb worse off) 2 ¾l 4th. TRANSOM ½l and neck 3rd of 5 to Silence In Court in handicap at Goodwood (1m 6f, firm). LOMBARDIC beat Taqreem 4l in 6-runner maiden at Bath (1m 3f 144yd, firm) on penultimate start.

Selection: COIGACH

3.10 JUDDMONTE INTERNATIONAL STAKES (C4)

(£151,454: 1m 2f 85yd) (8 runners)

301	(2)	00-2211	ALFLORA 51 (F,G,S) (Parrot Racing) C Brittain 5-9-6	M Roberts	91
302	(8)	16-4220	BOB'S RETURN 24 (C,D,F,G,S) (Mrs G Smith) M Tompkins 4-9-6	P Robinson	93
303	(6)	11-2130	CHATOYANT 24 (D,G,S) (Lord Derby) J Watts 4-9-6	L Dettori	87
304	(4)	0-6321U	EZZOUD 24 (V,CD,F,G,S) (Maktoum Al Maktoum) M Stoute 5-9-6	W R Swinburn	98
305	(3)	10-1212	MUHTARRAM 44 (C,D,F,G) (Hamdan Al Maktoum) J Gosden 5-9-6	W Carson	94
306	(1)	011316-	SPARTAN SHAREEF 331 (C,D,F,G) (Godolphin) C Brittain 5-9-6	B Raymond	81
307	(5)	1-62413	GRAND LODGE 28 (F,G,S) (Lord Howard de Walden) W Jarvis 3-8-12	Pat Eddery	92
308	(7)	104221	KING'S THEATRE 24 (F,G,S) (Shaikh Mohammed) H Cecil 3-8-12	M J Kinane	[illegible]

BETTING: 7-4 King's Theatre, 7-2 Muhtarram, Ezzoud, 7-1 Grand Lodge, 12-1 Bob's Return, 14-1 Chatoyant, 20-1 Alflora, 40-1 Spartan Shareef.

1993: EZZOUD 4-9-6 W R Swinburn (28-1) M Stoute 11 ran

FORM FOCUS

ALFLORA completed double, beat Marcof short-head in 4-runner group II Sea World International at the Curragh (1m, good to yielding). EZZOUD beat BOB'S RETURN 1½l in 8-runner group I Coral-Eclipse Stakes at Sandown (1m 2f, good to firm) on penultimate start. Beat Sabrehill 1½l in this race last year (good to soft, 11 ran), with SPARTAN SHAREEF 5l 3rd. MUHTARRAM neck 2nd of 8 to Apple Tree in group I Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud at Saint Cloud (1m 4f, good). Previously beat EZZOUD neck in 11-runner group II Prince of Wales's Stakes at Royal Ascot (1m 2f, firm), with CHATOYANT (4lb better off) short-head 3rd. GRAND LODGE 3l 3rd of 9 to Distant View in 9-runner group I Sussex Stakes at Goodwood (1m, firm). KING'S THEATRE beat White Muzzle 1¼l in 12-runner group I King George VI Diamond Stakes at Ascot (1m 4f, good to firm), with BOB'S RETURN 9¾l 8th and CHATOYANT 4l 9th. EZZOUD unseated rider start.

Selection: EZZOUD

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
J Gosden	33	121	27.3	Pat Eddery	44	208	21.2
H Cecil	24	99	24.2	L Dettori	27	173	15.6
P Chapple-Hyam	9	39	23.1	M Roberts	34	225	15.1
P Cole	13	57	22.8	W Ryan	10	67	14.9
J Dunlop	17	76	22.4	W Carson	35	241	14.5

3.45 GREAT VOLTIGEUR STAKES (C4)

(Group II: 3-Y-O colts and geldings: £48,829: 1m 3f 195yd) (7 runners)

401	(1)	01-1101	BROADWAY FLYER 21 (D,F,S) (Mrs S Bosher) J Hills 8-9	M Hills	[illegible]
402	(7)	41	CAPIAS 41 (F) (Shaikh Mohammed) J Gosden 8-9	L Dettori	72
403	(3)	11-	DOUBLE TRIGGER 280 (G) (R Huggins) M Johnston 8-9	J Weaver	80
404	(4)	1-6061	IONIO 32 (D,F,G) (Lady Beaverbrook) C Brittain 8-9	M Roberts	90
405	(2)	6-25413	LUHUK 10 (F,S) (H Al Maktoum) J Dunlop 8-9	W Carson	93
406	(6)	4111	SACRAMENT 47 (D,F) (Cheveley Park Stud) M Stoute 8-9	W R Swinburn	92
407	(5)	215	STRATEGIC CHOICE 72 (F) (M Arbib) P Cole 8-9	T Quinn	92

BETTING: 7-4 Broadway Flyer, 7-2 Strategic Choice, 4-1 Sacrament, 9-2 Luhuk, 8-1 Ionio, 12-1 Capias, 14-1 Double Trigger.

1993: BOB'S RETURN 8-9 P Robinson (16-1) M Tompkins 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

BROADWAY FLYER beat Suplizi neck in 9-runner group III Gordon Stakes at Goodwood (1m 4f, firm). CAPIAS beat Istiesar 2l in 7-runner maiden at Newmarket (1m 2f, good to firm). DOUBLE TRIGGER completed double, beat Barbarola 1½l in 10-runner listed Zetland Stakes at Newmarket (1m 2f, good). IONIO beat Mack The Knife 5l in 4-runner conditions race at Newmarket (1m 4f, good to firm). LUHUK 6l 3rd of 12 to Urgent Request in group III Rose Of Lancaster Stakes at Haydock (1m 2f 120yd, good). SACRAMENT completed treble, beat Suplizi head in 4-runner listed race at Haydock (1m 4f, good to firm). STRATEGIC CHOICE about 2¾l 5th of 15 to Celtic Arms in group I Prix Du Jockey Club at Chantilly (1m 4f, good to soft).

Selection: BROADWAY FLYER

4.15 EAGLE LANE HANDICAP (C4)

(£15,523: 6f) (23 runners)

501	(1)	120300	DOUBLE BLUE 17 (D,F,G,S) (R Huggins) M Johnston 5-9-10	Oliver Casey (7)	96
502	(19)	3-11305	NUMBERED ACCOUNT 26 (D,G) (Highclere Racing) W Haggas 3-9-10	M Hills	93
503	(11)	065312	SAINT EXPRESS 52 (C,D,F,G) (D Hall) Mrs M Reveley 4-9-9	DOUBTFUL	95
504	(15)	105044	LORD OLIVIER 17 (D,F,G) (Miss V Jarvis) W Jarvis 4-9-9	M Tebbutt	96
505	(20)	204050	MISS HAGGIS 10 (D,F,G) (P Asquith) R Boss 5-9-7	Pat Eddery	98
506	(5)	000216	SIR JOEY 25 (CD,F,S) (Mrs A Sims) P Murphy 5-9-5	Paul Eddery	97
507	(13)	21-0361	DARREN BOY 42 (D,F,G) (D Allport) P Cole 3-9-4	T Quinn	91
508	(4)	3-31025	DARING DESTINY 10 (F,G) (Mrs A Wright) K Burke 3-9-2	M J Kinane	95
509	(22)	200000	HOW'S YER FATHER 4 (CD,F,G,S) (Unity Farm) R Hodges 8-9-2	A Munro	97
510	(17)	540600	CASTLEREA LAD 11 (D,F,G) (Mrs T Graham) R Hollinshead 5-9-0	W Ryan	96
511	(3)	131403	HERE COMES A STAR 6 (D,F,G) (Mrs J Goodridge) J Carr 6-8-11	K Darley	97
512	(14)	152200	AGWA 17 (D,F,G) (I Baker) R O'Sullivan 5-8-11	R Cochrane	95
513	(9)	015054	MACS MAHARANEE 15 (D,F,G) (J Martin) P Felgate 7-8-10	B Hind	98
514	(7)	161111	ROBIN LAKE 26 (D,F,G) (G Strawbridge) I Balding 3-8-10	L Dettori	93
515	(10)	0-00600	BENZOE 15 (B,CD,S) (T Fawcett) M W Easterby 4-8-10	T Lucas	97
516	(23)	023132	KING RAT 15 (BF,D,F,G) (Kingsley House Partnership) M Johnston 3-8-10	J Weaver	[illegible]
517	(16)	501300	JATO 17 (D,F,G) (Mrs M Southcott) S Williams 5-8-6	G Carter	98
518	(18)	005500	SAMSOLOM 15 (D,F,G) (Hammond Partnership) P Howling 6-8-5	Dean McKeown	96
519	(8)	260101	NED'S BONANZA 18 (D,F,G) (N Jones) M Dods 5-8-5	S Whitworth	97
520	(6)	211461	DRY POINT 18 (D,F,G) (Lady Sophia Morrison) J Toller 8-8-3	M Roberts	97
521	(21)	265436	BAYIN 18 (D,F,G,S) (T Barker) M Usher 5-8-0	R Street	97
522	(12)	606022	GONDO 10 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs H O'Brien) E Alston 7-7-12	N Carlisle	97
523	(2)	501331	CAPTAIN CARAT 22 (D,F) (C Webster) Mrs J Ramsden 3-7-11	J Fanning	96

BETTING: 8-1 Robin Lake, 10-1 Darren Boy, Captain Carat, 12-1 Lord Olivier, 14-1 Sir Joey, How's Yer Father, Dry Point, 15-1 Daring Destiny, Agwa, Gondo, Ned's Bonanza, 20-1 Miss Haggis, Castlerea Lad, Here Comes A Star, Macs Maharanee, Benzoe, King Rat, Jato, Bayin, 25-1 Double Blue, Numbered Account, 50-1 Samsolom.

1993: HOW'S YER FATHER 7-8-11 A Munro (8-1 jt fav) R Hodges 23 ran

FORM FOCUS

NUMBERED ACCOUNT best effort short head and 1l 3rd of 12 to Mary Hinge in listed handicap at Haydock (6f, good to firm). SAINT EXPRESS 2l 2nd of 17 to Duplicity in handicap at Newcastle (6f, firm), with DOUBLE BLUE (3lb better off) ½l 3rd, LORD OLIVIER (2LB better off) ½l 4th, HOW'S YER FATHER (4lb better off) 2 ¼l 10th, MACS MAHARANEE (5lb better off) ½l 12th and JATO (1lb worse off) 3l 14th. SIR JOEY beat Alasib neck in 13-runner handicap over course and distance (good to firm), with BAYIN (5lb better off) 1½l 3rd. DARREN BOY beat Croeso-I-Cymru neck in 11-runner handicap at Newmarket (6f, good to firm). DARING DESTINY about 3¾l 5th of 17 to Betty Green in handicap at Newmarket (7f, good), with MISS HAGGIS (2l better off) 17¾l 15th. ROBIN LAKE completed four-timer, beat Roving Minstrel ¾l in 7-runner handicap at Doncaster (6f, good to firm), with CAPTAIN CARAT (3lb better off) ½l 3rd. KING RAT 1¼l 2nd of 13 to Rock Symphony in handicap at Ripon (6f, good), with MACS MAHARANEE (4lb better off) about 2¾l 4th, CASTLEREA LAD (4lb better off) 3½l 9th, SAMSOLOM (6lb better off) short-head 10th and BENZOE (5lb better off) 8½l 13th. NED'S BONANZA beat Flashy's Son 1¼l in 5-runner handicap at Thirsk (6f, good to firm). DRY POINT beat Running Glimpse ½l in 13-runner handicap at Newmarket (6f, good), with BAYIN (6lb better off) about 3½l 6th. GONDO short-head 2nd of 12 to Beau Venture in handicap at Haydock (5f, good).

Selection: SIR JOEY

4.45 LONSDALE STAKES

(£12,908: 1m 7f 195yd) (8 runners)

601	(5)	3-46150	KEY TO MY HEART 29 (C,F,S) (Mrs M Pickering) D Moffatt 4-9-7	J Reid	85
602	(2)	10-0300	FURTHER FLIGHT 19 (CD,F,G,S) (S Wingfield Digby) B Hills 8-9-5	M Hills	94
603	(8)	13-2100	MY PATRIARCH 19 (BF,D,F,G,S) (P Winfield) J Dunlop 4-9-5	Pat Eddery	93
604	(1)	10-3066	OH SO RISKY 19 (F,S) (The Oh So Risky Syndicate) D Elsworth 7-9-5	T Quinn	94
605	(3)	2-21010	CUFF LINK 52 (F) (Lord Weinstock) W Hern 4-9-0	Paul Eddery	92
606	(4)	4-53402	SHAREEK 8 (V,G) (Maktoum Al Maktoum) M Stoute 4-9-0	W R Swinburn	[illegible]
607	(6)	-014	POLTARF 62 (BF,F) (Shaikh Mohammed) H Cecil 3-8-0	M J Kinane	95
608	(7)	421122	PTOTO 19 (B,F) (P Riccardi) L Cumani 3-8-0	G Carter	98

BETTING: 11-4 Ptoto, 4-1 My Patriarch, 9-2 Oh So Risky, 5-1 Key To My Heart, Shareek, 7-1 Further Flight, 8-1 Poltarf, 12-1 Cuff Link.

1993: FURTHER FLIGHT 7-9-5 M Hills (6-1) B Hills 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

KEY TO MY HEART 11l 9th of 12 to Beneficial in group III Tennents Scottish Classic at Ayr (1m 2f, good). OH SO RISKY 16l 6th of 9 to Arcadian Heights in the Group I Gold Cup at Ascot (2m 4f, good to firm) on penultimate start, with MY PATRIARCH (2lb worse off) 12l last. CUFF LINK 7¼l 9th of 20 in handicap at Newcastle (2m, good to firm), with FURTHER FLIGHT (5lb better off) 5¼l 15th. SHAREEK 5l 2nd of 5 to Red Route in group 3 TriplePrint Geoffrey Freer Stakes at Newbury (1m 5f 61yd, good). POLTARF beat Overbury head in 7-runner conditions race at Newmarket (1m 4f, good to firm) on penultimate start. PTOTO ¾l 2nd of 15 to Tioman Island in Group III Tiffany Goodwood Cup at Goodwood (2m, firm), with OH SO RISKY about 4l 6th, MY PATRIARCH 7¾l 11th and FURTHER FLIGHT 1l 12th. Previously short-head 2nd of 12 to Silver Wedge in Group III Queen's Vase at Ascot (2m, good to firm), with POLTARF about 2¾l 4th.

Selection: PTOTO

5.15 EGLINTON NURSERY HANDICAP

(2-Y-O: £11,648: 6f 214yd) (9 runners)

1	(9)	36213	SMART GUEST 8 (G) (Mrs D Weatherby) M Bell 9-7	M Fenton (3)	88
2	(6)	211	INDIAN WEDDING 32 (D,F) (The Middleham Partnership) M Johnston 9-4	J Weaver	90
3	(2)	031212	MANFUL 10 (F) (C Barber-Lomax) J Hetherton 9-2	N Kennedy	85
4	(1)	611	BEDIVERE 20 (D,G) (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 8-12	J Reid	95
5	(8)	6622	ANNIVERSARYPRESENT 17 (D Barker) G Lewis 8-10	Paul Eddery	93
6	(4)	6331	TIME OF TROUBLE 12 (B,F) (Shaikh Mohammed) J Watts 8-5	W Carson	[illegible]
7	(7)	013000	WINTERBOUND 17 (F) (P Leonard) Mrs J Ramsden 8-2	K Fallon	97
8	(5)	030120	MEDIATE 12 (F) (Mrs S Spencer-Phillips) R Hannon 7-12	G Carter	90
9	(3)	4620	LAB TEST 17 (U Liner Services Ltd) C Williams 7-7	C Hawksley (5)	96

Long handicap: Lab Test 7-5.

BETTING: 5-2 Bedivere, 5-1 Indian Wedding, Lab Test, 11-2 Anniversarypresent, 6-1 Smart Guest, Winterbound, 8-1 Manful, Time Of Trouble, 14-1 Mediate.

1993: CALL TO MIND 8-5 M Birch (8-1) M Easterby 15 ran

☐ Just Happy (Walter Swinburn) dead-heated with Lassigny in the group two Prix Guillaume d'Ornano at Deauville yesterday.

FOLKESTONE

THUNDERER

2.15 Any One Line. 2.45 Neverending. 3.20 Esoteric. 3.55 Ansellady. 4.30 Meant To Be. 5.00 Little Hooligan. 5.30 Owdbetts.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM — SIS

DRAW: 5F-6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

2.15 RADIO KENT UNBRIDLED & UNRIVALLED SELLING STAKES

(2-Y-O: £2,174: 6f 189yd) (16 runners)

1	(9)	2162	GREENWICH AGAIN 26 (D,F) T Mills 9-2	D Holland	[illegible]
2	(15)	1503	ANY ONE LINE 28 (G) M Channon 8-11	G Bardwell	95
3	(2)	600	CHALDON HERRING 29 J Arnold 8-11	R Hills	80
4	(10)	0052	INTERLINK 11 (BF) R Hannon 8-11	L Piggott	98
5	(14)	0008	KNAVE OF SPADES 6 J Moore 8-11	N Varley (5)	78
6	(13)	0	MONTAGUE DAWSON 13 M Bell 8-11	G Duffield	70
7	(16)	00	PORTLAND WAY 13 A Jarvis 8-11	T Sprake	74
8	(6)	6	RAMBO TWO 11 M Ryan 8-11	A Clark	—
9	(11)	0	SHALTA CHIEF 13 J Glover 8-11	S D Williams	81
10	(1)	066	SINGLETON BARN 13 C Allen 8-11	G Forster	69
11	(3)	0	FLATFORD PRINCESS 25 G L Moore 8-6	B Rouse	—
12	(4)	00	LADY TUMBLEWEED 13 B Meehan 8-6	W Newnes	74
13	(8)		MISS TOFFEE NOSE D Cosgrove 8-6	L Newton (5)	—
14	(7)	04	SAMANA CAY 11 A Scott 8-6	J Williams	94
15	(12)	5005	SIBERIAN LIZZY 56 R Hoad 8-6	M Wigham	—
16	(5)	0	TYRELESS 78 A Jarvis 8-6	K Salt (7)	—

5-2 Interlink, 9-2 Greenwich Again, 7-1 Any One Line, Samana Cay, 10-1 Montague Dawson, 14-1 Shalta Chief, 16-1 others

2.45 KENT TODAY MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES

(Div I: 2-Y-O: £3,553: 6f 189yd) (13)

1	(10)	33	ANAM 53 (BF) P Walwyn 8-11	R Hills	88
2	(8)	0	BAKERS DAUGHTER 13 J Arnold 8-11	J Quinn	70
3	(4)		BINT ZAMAYEM B Hills 8-11	B Thomson	—
4	(7)	0	EMNALA 56 M Channon 8-11	F Norton	—
5	(11)	0	FINLAGGAN 8 M Prescott 8-11	G Duffield	—
6	(2)	65	GRANDES OREILLES 8 R Hannon 8-11	R Perham	85
7	(12)	00	NELLYSSIA 19 G L Moore 8-11	B Rouse	72
8	(6)	32	NEVERENDING 11 (BF) H Cecil 8-11	A McGlone	[illegible]
9	(13)	4	PEDALTOTHEMETAL 35 P Mitchell 8-11	T Ives	—
10	(5)	5	PLAYLET 41 P Cole 8-11	C Rutter	80
11	(9)	5	SPANISH GIRL 34 P Kelleway 8-11	M Wigham	—
12	(3)	6	WALHAANAH 10 M Jarvis 8-11	K Rutter (3)	80
13	(1)	42	YOUDONTSAY 12 R Curtis 8-11	G Bardwell	83

7-4 Neverending, 5-1 Walhaanah, 6-1 Anam, 7-1 Grandes Oreilles, 8-1 others.

3.20 LAUGHTERNOON APPRENTICE HANDICAP

(3-Y-O: £2,643: 2m 93yd) (8)

1	(2)	1650	BANDAR PERAK 4 (C,S) S Dow 9-7	R Moogan	88
2	(5)	1214	KEEN BID 20 (D,F,G) W Jarvis 9-5	M Henry	93
3	(7)	2441	SHELTERED COVE 12 (F) K Cunningham-Brown 8-9	E Greehy (5)	90
4	(8)	1115	IN BEHIND 10 (BF,D,F,G) G L Moore 8-7	L Suthern (3)	95
5	(4)	0650	REAL MADRID 24 G Enright 7-13	C Scudder	94
6	(3)	0046	DAKOTA GIRL 13 G Balding 7-12	Kinsy May (8)	[illegible]
7	(6)	0662	ESOTERIC 12 P Mitchell 7-8	A Lakeman	90
8	(1)	0600	ARIAN SPIRIT 4 W Musson 7-8	Iona Wands	86

5-2 Sheltered Cove, 3-1 Esoteric, 7-2 Keen Bid, In Behind, 12-1 Bandar Perak, Dakota Girl, 14-1 others.

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JOCKEYS: L Piggott, 9 winners from 34 rides, 26.5%, Stephen Davies, 4 from 20, 20.0%; G Duffield, 14 from 92, 15.2%, D Holland, 10 from 75, 13.3%; T Sprake, 6 from 50, 12.0% Only qualifiers

3.55 TMP AIR CONDITIONING RATING RELATED MAIDEN STAKES

(£2,720: 6f) (8)

1	(7)	0-32	HICKORY BLUE 3 (V) J Glover 4-9-4	S D Williams	98
2	(3)	5604	JEWEL THIEF 7 (V) G Balding 4-9-4	J Williams	71
3	(2)	046	ALLAHRAKHA 19 D R Tucker 3-9-0	R Perham	83
4	(8)	0243	AVRIL ETOILE 26 L Holt 4-8-13	Iona Wands (7)	88
5	(5)	0-00	DOUBLE SHIFT 64 B Stillman 5-8-13	D Holland	93
6	(1)	0-42	GAYNOR GOODMAN 15 P Hedger 4-8-13	C Avery	80
7	(6)	-442	ANSELLADY 12 J Berry 3-8-9	L Piggott	[illegible]
8	(4)	3600	ECHARDE 33 P Walwyn 3-8-9	D Harrison	96

2-1 Ansellady, 5-2 Hickory Blue, 4-1 Allahrakha, 7-1 Avril Etoile, 8-1 Double Shift, 10-1 Jewel Thief, 12-1 others.

4.30 BBC RADIO KENT/KENT MESSENGER GROUP HEADLINE HANDICAP

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1	(5)	0510	MEANT TO BE 19 (CD,F) Lady Herries 4-10-0	N Varley (5)	98
2	(7)	00-0	DOOGY DANCER 182 (C,F) M Usher 4-9-4	B Rouse	87
3	(8)	5405	EL VOLADOR 22 (D,F,G) R O'Sullivan 7-8-12	J D Smith (5)	95
4	(1)	1122	UN PARFUM DE FEMME 8 (D,F) J Pearce 3-8-10	G Bardwell	—
5	(4)	0004	EXHIBIT AIR 7 (B,D,F,G) R Akehurst 4-8-10	A Clark	97
6	(9)	1054	GLIDINGONBY 34 (B,D,F) B Hills 3-8-7	B Thomson	90
7	(3)	-523	DIRECTORS' CHOICE 17 (F) T Mills 9-8-4	T Williams	95
8	(2)	-520	TAYLORS PRINCE 52 (V,D,F,G) H Collingridge 7-8-0	J Quinn	—
9	(6)	00P	JUSTICE 60 (G) (D) K Cunningham-Brown 8-7-12	Stephen Davies (3)	—

7-2 Glidingonby, 4-1 Exhibit Air, 9-2 Un Parfum De Femme, 5-1 Meant To Be, 8-1 El Volador, Directors' Choice, 10-1 Taylors Prince, 12-1 others.

5.00 KENTISH EXPRESS LIMITED STAKES

(£2,381: 6f) (20)

1	(15)	0403	APOLLO RED 4 (D,G,S) A Moore 5-9-6	Candy Morris	93
2	(6)	0160	ARC LAMP 63 (D,F,G) J Glover 8-9-6	S D Williams	86
3	(1)	1351	BRIGHT PARAGON 6 (D,F,G,S) H Collingridge 5-9-6	W Woods	94
4	(7)	6000	JUST HARRY 4 (G) M Ryan 3-9-2	A Clark	80
5	(20)	0000	DISPAST 20 (G) R O'Sullivan 4-9-0	Stephen Davies (3)	[illegible]
6	(12)	3636	INVIGILATE 10 (D,F,G) M Wane 5-9-0	B Thomson	97
7	(16)	0300	WADERS DREAM 4 (V,D,F) Pat Mitchell 5-9-0	L Piggott	86
8	(10)	060-	WHATONE BELL 365 P Hayward 4-9-0	M Perrett	—
9	(18)	2245	LITTLE HOOLIGAN 4 (V,D,G) M Channon 3-8-13	G Bardwell	95
10	(4)	5100	EWAR GOLD 5 (D,F,G) K Cunningham-Brown 4-8-12	J Quinn	86
11	(14)	0001	KINNEGAD KID 4 (CD,G,S) R Ingram 5-8-12	A McGlone	94
12	(5)	4525	MITSIS 13 (V) R Harris 3-8-10	A Proud	91
13	(17)	5500	BELMONT PRINCESS 12 A Jones 4-8-9	J Williams	92
14	(9)	0-00	VILLAVINA 14 S Dow 4-8-9	D Harrison	96
15	(2)	050	DARING GIFT 41 J Bosley 3-8-5	C Rutter	75
16	(8)	-500	EUROPHARM LASSIE 14 G L Moore 3-8-5	B Rouse	98
17	(3)	-006	GILABTENI 14 (B) R Hannon 3-8-5	R Perham	84
18	(13)	0000	LADY PHYL 20 (D,G) B Meehan 3-8-5	W Newnes	—
19	(11)	0000	MALINGERER 54 D Wilson 3-8-5	N Gwilliams	95
20	(19)	0600	SHE'S SWEET 8 (B) D French Davis 3-8-5	N Adams	85

6-1 Kinnegad Kid, 7-1 Dispast, Bright Paragon, 8-1 Apollo Red, 10-1 Invigilate, 12-1 Little Hooligan, Mitsis, 14-1 others

5.30 KENT TODAY MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES

(Div II: 2-Y-O: £3,526: 6f 189yd) (13)

1	(9)	003	BONITA 13 Mrs L Piggott 8-11	L Piggott	89
2	(2)	06	CENTINELA 19 P Cole 8-11	C Rutter	91
3	(4)	66	COLOSSE 21 M Jarvis 8-11	B Thomson	85
4	(8)		DOROTHEA BROOKE P Harris 8-11	J Williams	—
5	(10)		FAIRELAINE A Jarvis 8-11	T Sprake	—
6	(3)	523	HARD LOVE 27 (BF) S Woods 8-11	W Woods	[illegible]
7	(5)		HIGH STANDARD M Stoute 8-11	P D'Arcy	—
8	(12)		KEEP QUIET D Arbuthnot 8-11	F Norton	—
9	(13)		MISTINGUETT R Hannon 8-11	R Perham	—
10	(7)	552	OWDBETTS 10 G L Moore 8-11	B Rouse	85
11	(1)	5	PENNYCAIRN 19 H Cecil 8-11	A McGlone	92
12	(11)	000	ROMANTIC FOLLY 10 B Meehan 8-11	W Newnes	81
13	(6)	0	SAILORS MOON 53 H Collingridge 8-11	J Quinn	—

7-4 Pennycairn, 4-1 Centinela, 5-1 Owdbetts, 6-1 Hard Love, 12-1 others.

RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S TWO MEETINGS

Windsor

Going: good to firm

2.30 (1m 2f 7yd) 1, MCGILLYCUDDY REEKS (W Ryan, 7-4 fav); 2, Call Me Albi (B Rouse, 7-2); 3, La Belle Shyanne (S Raymont, 4-1) ALSO RAN: 9-2 Bayou (4th), 16 Subtle Brief, 20 S'Amuser, 25 Nandura, Radiant Dancer (5th), 33 The Leaf Sweeper, 50 Arabraz, Arras Blue, Foremma (6th), Justforay. 13 ran. ¾l, 5l, 2½l, 2l, 1½l. R Hollinshead at Upper Longdon. Tote: £3.20; £1.40, £1.60, £1.40. DF: £4.70 CSF: £8.48. Winner bought in 3,700gns

3.00 (1m 3f 135yd) 1, SANTANA LADY (Stephen Davies, 5-2); 2, Addicted To Love (L Detton, 6-4 fav); 3, Bo Knows Best (B Rouse, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Benfleet (5th), 8 Debos (6th), 16 Upper Grosvenor (4th), 20 La Menorquina, 66 Glistening Dawn. 8 ran. 5l, 1¾l, hd, nk, 4l. M Heaton-Ellis at Wroughton. Tote: £3.20; £1.10, £1.60, £3.10. DF: £3.50. CSF: £6.55 Tricast: £24.71.

3.30 (1m 2f 7yd) 1, ZILZAL ZAMAAN (B Raymond, 3-1); 2, Harvest Mouse (L Dettori, 100-30); 3, The Flying Phantom (P Robinson, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 6-4 fav Taufan's Melody (4th), 13-2 Campaign (5th). 5 ran. nk, 1½l, 1l M Stoute at Newmarket. Tote: £3.30; £1.50, £1.70. DF: £6.10. CSF: £12.42.

4.00 (5l 217yd) 1, BALANCE OF POWER (W Newnes, 16-1); 2, Delight Of Dawn (N Varley, 5-1); 3, Lochbroom Commando (Paul Eddery, 100-30 fav) ALSO RAN: 11-2 Rockcracker, 6 Golden Danehill, 10 Assumpsit, 12 Cabcharge Blue, Dolly Face, Free Life (5th), 14 Bowden Rose (4th), Sally Weld, 16 Poly Laureon, Secret Ballad (6th), 20 Nadwaty, 25 Rizibelle 15 ran. Nk, hd, 2½l, sh hd, hd H Candy at Wantage Tote: £22.60; £4.90, £3.80, £2.00 DF: £72.00 Trio: £300.40. CSF: £99.91 Tricast: £319.79

4.30 (5l 10yd) 1, SINGING ROCK (L Dettori, 4-1); 2, Silk Cottage (A Culhane, 3-1 fav); 3, That Man Again (S Whitworth, 7-1) ALSO RAN 4 Hoh (5th), 8 Just Like Me (4th), 9 Estoppel, 14 Sue Me (6th), 16 Plucky Pet, 33 Coastguard Cottage, Fair Attraction, Kevasingo, Malibu Man 12 ran NR: Mehtar, Petra's Star. Hd, ¾l, shd, 3½l, ¾l R Hannon at East Everleigh Tote: £3.50; £1.10, £1.30, £2.60 DF: £5.20 CSF: £13.56. Mehtar and Petra's Star both withdrawn not under orders Rule 4 applies to all bets, deduction 20p in pound

5.00 (5l 10yd) 1, WINDRUSH BOY (Aimee Cook, 25-1); 2, Miriam (Martin Dwyer, 6-1); 3, The Fed (A Eddery, 9-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 8 The Noble Oak, 7 Banbury Flyer (5th), 8 Another Jade, Floral Spark (6th), 10 Paley Prince, Tee-Emm (4th), 16 Camrons, On The Wing Again, 25 Eurochem Lad, 33 Hollington Song. 13 ran. NR: Batchworth Bound, Monsieur Petong. ½l, nk, nk, nk, ½l. J Bosley at Bampton. Tote: £20.00, £4.00, £3.00, £1.20. DF: £87.10. Trio: £110.50 CSF: £170.64 Tricast: £448.55

Jackpot: Not won (pool of £10,974.73 carried forward to York today).

Placepot: £25.60. Quadpot: £26.10.

Hamilton Park

Going: firm

2.15 (1m 1l 36yd) 1, MONKEY WENCH (J Carroll, 15-1); 2, Mbulwa (J Fortune, 9-1); 3, Bold Melody (J Weaver, 8-1) ALSO RAN. 4-1 fav Albeli (5th), 7 Bee Dee Best, Comtec's Legend (4th), 9 Brigadore Gold (6th), Sakura, 12 Flashman, 14 Suspect, 16 Highfield Lad, Media Messenger, 20 Baily Robert. 13 ran. ¾l, 5l, 5l, ½l, nk. J Berry at Cockerham. Tote: £10.20. £4.20, £2.10, £1.70. DF: £76.70. Trio. £49.60 CSF: £143.91 Tricast: £888.15. No bid for winner

2.45 (1m 65yd) 1, SEGALA (G Duffield, 6-4 fav); 2, Sir Arthur Hobbs (R Lappin, 3-1); 3, Happy Hostage (J Weaver, 7-4) ALSO RAN: 14 Royal Cozen (4th). 4 ran. 1½l, 11l, hd. Mark Prescott at Newmarket Tote: £1.60 DF. £4.00 CSF £5.56

3.15 (6l 5yd) 1. CAN SHE CAN CAN (J Weaver, 2-1); 2, We're Joken (J Carroll, 11-10 fav); 3, Gospel Song (J Lowe, 3-1) ALSO RAN: 20 Skiddaw Breeze (4th) 4 ran. 1¾l, 3½l, 6l. M Johnston at Middleham. Tote £2.60. DF: £1.70 CSF: £4.48.

3.45 (6l 5yd) 1, WARWICK WARRIOR (J Weaver, 7-4 fav); 2, Miss Pigalle (J Lowe, 25-1); 3, Mustn't Grumble (K Darley, 3-11). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Densben (5th), Murray's Mazda (4th) 5 ran. 1l, ¾l, hd, 6l. P Haslam at Middleham. Tote: £2.70. £1.10, £5.90 DF. £24.70. CSF £23.78

4.15 (6l 5yd) 1. BRIDGE OF FIRE (B Thomson, 4-6 fav): 2 Playing For Time (J Fanning, 33-1), 3, Kemo Sabo (K Fallon, 3-1) ALSO RAN. 5 Little Father (4th), 10 The Aspecto Girl (6th), 25 Coolaba Princess (5th), 50 Sul Fosso. 7 ran. ½l, nk, ½l, 11l, nk. J Watts at Richmond Tote £1.70; £1.50, £15.60 DF: £36.90 CSF £19.54

4.45 (1m 4f 17yd) 1, ROYAL CIRCUS (D Griffiths, 11-4); 2, Deb's Ball (S Maloney, 5-1); 3, Sir Edward Henry (D Wright, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 11-10 fav Porsclose (4th) 4 ran 3l, ¾l, 11½l. J O'Shea at Henley in Arden. Tote: £2.60 DF: £6.50 CSF £12.94.

Placepot: £1109.30. Quadpot: £115.60.

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All-round display lifts Leicestershire

Aggressive Millns throws open championship race

BY PAT GIBSON

LEICESTER (final day of four): Leicestershire (22pts) bt Worcestershire (6) by 97 runs

DAVID Millns, the Leicestershire fast bowler with a burning ambition to play for England, threw the county championship wide open yesterday with the finest all-round performance of his career. He began by making 64 not out, his highest score, and finished by taking six for 84, his best bowling figures of the season, to lift Leicestershire into second place, nine points behind the leaders, Warwickshire, with a match in hand.

Afterwards, Millns paid generous tribute to Jack Birkenshaw, the Leicestershire cricket manager, for bringing the best out of him: "Jack gave us a real rollicking after we had bowled badly on Friday," Millns said.

"Then he took me into the nets on Saturday morning and told me to think back to 1992 when I was bowling quickly and knocking sides over. That's what I've done today and it's hats off to the manager for pointing me in the right direction."

If Millns was the hero of a rampaging Leicestershire display that at times made tranquil Grace Road sound more like Filbert Street, Leicester City's football ground, the key to their seventh championship victory was their teamwork. It is epitomised by Gordon Parsons, the archetypal county cricketer, who scored a half-century of his own and then took the important wicket of Graeme Hick just when he seemed capable of thwarting Leicestershire's push for victory.

Parsons and Millns had already put on 59 when Leicestershire began the final day 235 runs ahead with two wickets in hand, and they were to take their partnership for the eighth wicket to 103, the highest stand of the match, before Parsons was caught at long-on, off Richard Illingworth, for 52.

Millns went on to reach the highest score of the game, which suggested Leicestershire might have difficulty in bowling out Worcestershire after Nigel Briers had left them a target of 289 in 78 overs.

It did not work that way. Millns was steaming in from the start and soon had Stephen Rhodes, opening the innings because Philip Weston had broken a bone in his hand while fielding, caught at short leg as he tried to fend off a short, lifting delivery.

That was sufficient to prove there was still plenty of pace and bounce in the pitch for any fast bowler prepared to bend his back, and Millns did just that to take two more wickets in three balls in his seventh over.

Tim Curtis was beaten by the sheer speed of the delivery and edged the ball to the wicketkeeper, and Tom Moody, for all his Perth upbringing, was taken aback by the steep lift and was dismissed pushing tamely to gully.

The inspired Millns clearly fancied his chances against Hick as well, but the England batsman, not unused to this kind of confrontation, coolly cut him for three successive boundaries. Hick also dealt firmly with Alan Mullally, driving and clipping him for two more fours. Although Gavin Haynes had fallen to the left-arm swing, aiming on the on-side but looping a catch to mid-off, Leicestershire were beginning to fret when Hick found an able partner in David Leatherdale.

It was then that Parsons showed his worth, succeeding where Millns had failed in tempting Hick to hook and seeing a top edge soar to mid-on, where Tim Boon kept his eye on the ball despite the fact that Darren Maddy seemed to be on a collision course from mid-wicket.

Adrian Pierson, the off spinner, chipped in by deceiving Leatherdale into giving him a straightforward return catch and Millns cleaned up the tail to take his season's haul to 58, and revive his chances of being selected for an England tour.

"I said when we declared that I would swap my 64 not out for five wickets any time so I'm doubly delighted with the way things worked out," he said.

TABLE

	P	W	L	D	Bt	Bl	Pts
Warwicks (16)	13	9	1	4	33	39	200
Leics (9)	12	7	4	1	36	43	191
Surrey (6)	13	7	5	1	25	45	182
Notts (7)	13	7	3	3	27	41	180
Essex (11)	13	6	4	3	28	47	171
Sussex (10)	13	6	3	4	25	44	165
Somerset (5)	13	6	5	2	27	39	162
Middlesex (1)	13	5	2	6	31	44	155
Kent (8)	13	4	6	3	32	46	142
Northants (4)	13	5	4	4	18	37	135
Lancashire (13)	12	6	4	2	21	42	134
Derbyshire (15)	13	4	7	2	21	41	126
Glouces (17)	13	3	7	3	18	48	122
Durham (18)	13	3	9	1	27	44	119
Hampshire (13)	12	3	5	4	18	38	112
Worcs (2)	12	2	5	5	28	42	102
Yorkshire (12)	12	2	5	5	25	40	97
Glamorgan (3)	12	1	6	5	25	33	74

(1993 positions in brackets)

Gloucestershire and Hampshire records include eight points for drawn matches in which scores finished level

Lancashire deducted 25 points because of unsuitable pitch



HUGH ROUTLEDGE

Martin Bicknell goes for a duck as Lewis snaps up a catch off Ilott during Essex's win by an innings and 87 runs over Surrey at Colchester

Malcolm foils Sussex with lively innings

DEVON Malcolm produced an unlikely performance with the bat to deal a blow to Sussex's hopes of joining the county championship front-runners at Eastbourne yesterday (Walter Gammie writes). Malcolm, recalled to the England party for the final Test at the Oval to add firepower to the bowling attack, came in to bat with Derbyshire, needing 176, on 148 for nine. He and Matthew Vandrau, carried them to a one-wicket victory.

Malcolm drove Franklyn Stephenson for four and then hoisted him for six over long-on, finishing on 15 not out, with Vandrau, who had resumed on one with Derbyshire 94 for five, unbeaten on 24.

Min Patel, the left-arm spinner, took six for 84, to set up Kent for a nine-wicket win over Durham at Canterbury. Patel's match figures were ten for 152, the third time he had taken ten wickets in an innings this summer.

Essex sent third-placed Surrey crashing to defeat by an innings and 87 runs at Colchester. Peter Such, the discarded England off spinner, finished with six for 46 as Essex needed only 28 minutes to take Surrey's last five wickets and end their innings at 202.

Lancashire won the Roses match at Headingley by seven wickets, delayed by an innings of 95 by Paul Grayson, his highest score for Yorkshire. Richard Montgomerie, the former Oxford University captain, guided Northamptonshire to 203 for two and an eight-wicket win over Gloucestershire at Bristol with an accomplished innings of 90.

Gloucestershire also learnt that Dion Nash, the New Zealand all-rounder, had turned down an offer to join them next season as replacement for Courtney Walsh, who will be touring with the West Indies. Middlesex, Durham and Yorkshire are all believed to be interested in Nash.

Strain starts to show as Warwickshire succumb

BY MICHAEL HENDERSON

EDGBASTON (final day of four): Nottinghamshire (24pts) bt Warwickshire (5) by an innings and 43 runs

FOR the first time this season, Warwickshire have shown signs of the strain they must feel. Before yesterday, they had won matches that appeared to be beyond them, or at least not lost. Nottinghamshire, who applied the Chinese burn on the first two days when they ran up that massive 597, did not cease until they heard the squeals of submission.

This defeat, achieved 40 minutes after lunch, was Warwickshire's first in the championship for 50 weeks. That was also at Edgbaston, against Worcestershire, who were on their way to the runners-up spot.

Warwickshire still lead the table and the loss of a match in which the inimitable Brian Lara recorded his first championship duck of the season will remind them all of their mortality.

Chris Lewis dominated the match, as Nottinghamshire have a right to expect: that unbeaten double hundred in a formidable first innings ensured that they did not have to bat again. Four wickets in Warwickshire's second innings, allied to three from Adams and Pick's couple, confirmed a handsome victory.

Warwickshire were not without hope when they resumed 142 runs behind, with Twose and Penney at the crease. If that pair could bat until lunch, there was a fair chance of saving the game. Penney, alas, was bowled round his legs, padding up to Adams in the seventh over of the day, and four more wickets fell before lunch.

Lewis, bowling with some pace in a 13-over stint at the City End, accounted for two of them, as the occasional ball crept. Twose, taking a step back, stepped too far and dislodged a bail with his foot. Welch, who held Nottinghamshire up on Saturday with an unbeaten 84, was leg-before without scoring.

There were still men to come capable of keeping Nottinghamshire waiting for victory, but they did not have to wait long. Paul Smith pushed Pick firmly to short leg, where Archer held on to a decent catch. Piper, another half-centurian in the first innings, attacked the bowling and eventually perished that way, bowled as he attempted to pull James Hindson, the left-arm spinner.

Only lunch detained the bowlers. Pick castled Small with a beauty immediately after. Munton then thrashed Lewis to the boundary three times in an over before his brief lease expired. Lewis, appropriately, ended the match by hitting his stumps. Lewis finished with four for 86, and six wickets in the match.

Warwickshire will gain partial satisfaction from the defeats elsewhere for Surrey and Sussex, but they will not remember this game with much affection.

Munton, leading them in place of the injured Reeve, won the toss, which makes it even worse. Faced with the overwhelming evidence of this defeat, he could hardly deny that he made the wrong decision.

Somerset fall prey to Tufnell's guile

BY ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

LORD'S (final day of four): Middlesex (24pts) beat Somerset (4) by an innings and 30 runs

JUST before lunch on Saturday, Paul Weekes offered a simple slip catch and Richard Harden put it down. Middlesex might have been 143 for seven and confronting defeat; instead, Weekes made a century and, yesterday, they won by an innings. Somerset may come to reflect that on such fleeting follies are championships won and lost.

Middlesex have won the title six times in the past 20 years and might now be about to make it seven if Philip Tufnell had not missed so many games. His match figures here of eight for 58 were taken from 50.4 beguiling overs, emphasising he does not require a turning pitch to dominate batsmen. If the England selectors leave him out at the Oval on Thursday, they should resign en bloc.

Somerset, however, are one of three teams never to have been champions and like another of them, Sussex, they are struggling to turn evident credentials into a sustained challenge. While Sussex were finding a novel trip wire yesterday in Devon Malcolm's batting, Somerset's demise was more conventional. Middlesex, largely in the shape of Tufnell and Angus Fraser, simply overwhelmed a puny batting effort.

Tufnell bowled throughout from the Nursery End, his 22 overs costing 16 runs, while Mike Gatting had one of those days when captaincy seems easy. Three times he changed his pavilion end bowler and three times it brought a wicket within an over. Shortly after 2pm, Somerset were beaten for the first time since losing all four of their fixtures in May.

While Trescothick is with the England Under-19 side, Somerset's batting is stretched. It now looks positively frayed, for one outcome of this match was the immediate retirement of Nick Folland, who came so close to being appointed county captain this summer. Folland, 30, has had a disappointing second professional season, his 642 runs coming at an average of 32, and he is to return to teaching at Blundell's.



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Hudson fails to answer doubts

BY SIMON WILDE

PONTYPRIDD (final day of three): Glamorgan drew with the South Africans

THERE were no demonstrations outside the pavilion yesterday and no captains accusing the opposition of lacking enterprise, but the outcome of the final meeting between county and touring team this summer was the same as so many of its predecessors.

Glamorgan, who set a target of 272 in what transpired to be 58 overs, and the South Africans, who pushed Snell and Rhodes up the order in an attempt to keep up with their task, made a passable effort at staging a decent finish for a crowd so large that most of them cannot have recently attended the last day of one of these Tetley Bitter Challenge matches.

The principal interest yesterday was in the form of Andrew Hudson, the South African opener, whose lack of runs has put his Test place in jeopardy. He failed to put the doubts to rest by scoring only 23 before top-edging a sweep against Croft, the off spinner, to deep backward square.

Hudson averages a meagre 15.64 in first-class matches, with only one half-century in 18 innings. His main chance of surviving as one of three ever-presents in South Africa's Test side since their return to international cricket now rests with the fact that replacing him at the Oval on Thursday would severely disrupt his team's batting order.

If Hudson is dropped — Kepler Wessels, the South Africa captain, said yesterday it was "by no means certain" — Cullinan will almost certainly be drafted in, but as he is not suited to opening, either Cronje or Peter Kirsten would probably be asked to step into Hudson's shoes. Neither is an ideal choice, as both long since established places lower down the order. Wessels, who used to open, is apparently reluctant to make a return.

After Hudson was out yesterday, the touring team soon lost two further wickets, Snell and Rhodes falling to Gibson, to effectively bring an end to the run chase. Gary Kirsten and Cullinan then batted out the last 19 overs, Kirsten finishing with 76, as the South Africans came in at 5.30pm on 142 for three.

If this was modest fare, the crowd had been richly rewarded within the first 90 minutes of the day when Maynard, resuming on 30, raced to a scintillating century containing 20 fours. Maynard has had almost as abject a season as Hudson. In May, he broke a finger in a second XI game and was out of action for three weeks, and before yesterday he had passed 50 only twice in first-class matches. But playing for Glamorgan against touring opposition seems to bring the best out of him: he took the fastest authentic century of last season off the Australians at Neath.

Maynard's second 50 occupied only 46 balls and contained 11 fours, the last three taking him from 89 to 101 in successive balls from Snell before an attempted pull to the next delivery was toe-ended to mid-off. Throughout, he drove gloriously straight and pulled with ferocity. Bad summer or not, when Maynard is in this sort of mood, there is no better sight in cricket.

Britannic Assurance county championship

Final day of four

Sussex v Derbyshire

EASTBOURNE: Derbyshire (20pts) beat Sussex (4) by one wicket

SUSSEX: First Innings 171 (D M Smith 63; P A J DeFreitas 5 for 73, D E Malcolm 4 for 37).

Second Innings 127 (D G Cork 6 for 29).

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings 123 (E S H Giddins 5 for 38, I D K Salisbury 4 for 30)

Second Innings

P D Bowler c Moores b Giddins	52
A S Rollins c Salisbury b Jarvis	1
C J Adams lbw b Hemmings	6
T J G O'Gorman c Speight b Hemmings	0
*A J Barnett c Smith b Salisbury	13
†K M Krikken lbw b Stephenson	15
M J Vandrau not out	24
P A J DeFreitas c Hemmings b Salisbury	14
D G Cork c Moores b Giddins	16
A E Warner c Moores b Giddins	0
D E Malcolm not out	15
Extras (b 12, lb 8)	20
Total (9 wkts)	176

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-18, 2-40, 3-40, 4-57, 5-93, 6-99, 7-118, 8-148, 9-148.

BOWLING: Stephenson 16.2-2-55-1; Jarvis 5-1-10-1; Salisbury 25-13-33-2; Giddins 16-2-38-3; Hemmings 18-9-20-2.

Umpires: J C Balderstone and G I Burgess.

Yorkshire v Lancashire

HEADINGLEY: Lancashire (24pts) beat Yorkshire (5) by seven wickets

YORKSHIRE: First Innings 214 (M D Moxon 69, A P Grayson 51 not out, G Chapple 4 for 51, P J Martin 4 for 67)

Second Innings

*M D Moxon c Hegg b Chapple	15
S A Kellett c Hegg b Martin	8
D Byas c Atherton b Watkinson	104
B Parker b Martin	50
†R J Blakey c Hegg b Martin	0
A P Grayson c Gallian b Martin	95
G M Hamilton c Hegg b Watkinson	3
P J Hartley c Hegg b Austin	0
D Gough lbw b Austin	13
R D Stemp b Martin	10
M A Robinson not out	6
Extras (b 2, lb 1, w 1, nb 6)	10
Total	314

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-19, 2-34, 3-128, 4-128, 5-270, 6-274, 7-275, 8-297, 9-299.

BOWLING: Martin 24.4-10-66-5; Chapple 22-6-58-1; Austin 24-6-57-2; Watkinson 25-6-81-2; Gallian 6-0-44-0; Fairbrother 1-0-3-0

LANCASHIRE: First Innings 404 (N J Speak 143, I D Austin 50, D Gough 4 for 126)

Second Innings

M A Atherton c Byas b Hartley	2
J E R Gallian b Robinson	50
S P Titchard c Byas b Hamilton	29
N H Fairbrother not out	35
N J Speak not out	5
Extras (w 2, nb 2)	4
Total (3 wkts)	125

FALL OF WICKETS. 1-23, 2-76, 3-92.

BOWLING. Gough 7-2-14-0; Hartley 8-1-35-1, Stemp 7-1-18-0, Robinson 10-1-42-1; Hamilton 6.2-3-16-1.

Umpires A G T Whitehead and G Sharp.

Leicestershire v Worcestershire

LEICESTER: Leicestershire (22pts) beat Worcestershire (6) by 97 runs

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings 283.

Second Innings

P V Simmons c Lampitt b Radford	0
*N E Briers c Rhodes b Newport	20
T J Boon c Rhodes b Lampitt	9
J J Whitaker lbw b Lampitt	0
V J Wells lbw b Radford	13
D L Maddy c and b Hick	34
†P A Nixon b Newport	34
G J Parsons c Newport b Illingworth	52
A R K Pierson c Rhodes b Lampitt	23
D J Millns not out	64
A D Mullally not out	5
Extras (b 4, lb 15, w 2, nb 8)	29
Total (9 wkts dec)	283

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-33, 3-38, 4-44, 5-68, 6-123, 7-125, 8-171, 9-274.

BOWLING: Radford 23-5-94-2; Lampitt 16-4-40-3; Newport 22-9-41-2; Haynes 3-0-7-0; Illingworth 14-2-45-1; Hick 20-7-37-1.

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings 278 (G R Haynes 53; G J Parsons 5 for 34).

Second Innings

*T S Curtis c Nixon b Millns	8
†S J Rhodes c Maddy b Millns	9
G A Hick c Boon b Parsons	42
T M Moody c Wells b Millns	0
G R Haynes c Whitaker b Mullally	11
D A Leatherdale c and b Pierson	61
S R Lampitt c Maddy b Millns	19
P J Newport c Wells b Millns	9
R K Illingworth not out	1
N V Radford c Boon b Millns	12
W P C Weston absent hurt	0
Extras (b 1, lb 3, w 1, nb 14)	19
Total	191

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-17, 2-28, 3-28, 4-61, 5-103, 6-167, 7-167, 8-179, 9-191.

BOWLING: Mullally 13-4-35-1; Millns 16.2-2-84-6; Simmons 7-1-26-0; Parsons 3-1-16-1; Pierson 12-6-26-1.

Umpires: J D Bond and B J Meyer.

Warwickshire v Nottinghamshire

EDGBASTON: Nottinghamshire (24pts) beat Warwickshire (5) by an innings and 43 runs

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings 597 for 8 dec (C C Lewis 220 not out, P R Pollard 134, P Johnson 63, K P Evans 65).

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings 321 (G Welch 84 not out, K J Piper 57; K P Evans 4 for 71)

Second Innings

A J Moles lbw b Lewis	14
R G Twose hit wicket b Lewis	80
B C Lara b Adams	0
D P Ostler c Archer b Adams	10
T L Penney b Adams	33
P A Smith c Archer b Pick	5
G Welch lbw b Lewis	0
†K J Piper b Hindson	38
N M K Smith not out	13
G C Small b Pick	1
*T A Munton b Lewis	17
Extras (b 6, lb 8, nb 8)	22
Total	233

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-58, 2-59, 3-85, 4-151, 5-151, 6-155, 7-161, 8-203, 9-212.

BOWLING: Lewis 28.1-7-86-4; Pick 14-5-41-2; Adams 29-12-41-3; Evans 6-1-22-0; Hindson 11-5-29-1.

Umpires: B Leadbeater and V A Holder

Middlesex v Somerset

LORD'S: Middlesex (24pts) beat Somerset (4) by an innings and 30 runs

SOMERSET: First Innings 248.

Second Innings

M N Lathwell c Brown b Tufnell	13
I Fletcher b Fraser	0
R J Harden c Brown b Shine	20
H R J Trump lbw b Tufnell	0
A R Caddick lbw b Tufnell	16
N A Folland b Shine	10
*A N Hayhurst lbw b Tufnell	18
†R J Turner c Roseberry b Weekes	9
S C Ecclestone c Gatting b Fraser	6
J C Hallett not out	3
A P van Troost b Fraser	2
Extras (b 3, lb 3, w 1, nb 6)	13
Total	110

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-23, 3-27, 4-45, 5-57, 6-71, 7-85, 8-105, 9-107.

BOWLING: Fraser 11.5-5-16-3; Shine 12-2-48-2, Tufnell 26-14-17-4; Weekes 10-3-25-1.

MIDDLESEX: First Innings 388 for 8 dec (J D Carr 171 not out, P N Weekes 117; A R Caddick 4 for 84).

Essex v Surrey

COLCHESTER: Essex (24pts) beat Surrey (4) by an innings and 87 runs

ESSEX: First Innings 378 (N V Knight 115, M A Garnham 55, J J B Lewis 52)

SURREY: First Innings 88.

Second Innings

D J Bicknell lbw b Such	72
M A Butcher lbw b Stephenson	35
G P Thorpe b Stephenson	5
*†A J Stewart c Garnham b Ilott	13
A D Brown c Lewis b Such	43
N M Kendrick b Such	0
A J Hollioake not out	9
A W Smith c Kasprowicz b Such	4
M P Bicknell c Lewis b Ilott	0
J E Benjamin c Hussain b Such	1
C E Cuffy c and b Such	0
Extras (b 2, lb 3, nb 16)	21
Total	208

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-66, 2-82, 3-109, 4-187, 5-187, 6-194, 7-198, 8-202, 9-203.

BOWLING: Kasprowicz 12-1-44-0, Ilott 15-7-32-2; Stephenson 19-3-50-2; Irani 9-1-26-0; Such 32-14-46-6.

Kent v Durham

CANTERBURY: Kent (24pts) beat Durham (4) by nine wickets

KENT: First Innings 385.

Second Innings

T R Ward not out	47
M V Fleming c and b Brown	11
N R Taylor not out	30
Extras (lb 4, nb 4)	8
Total (1 wkt)	96

FALL OF WICKET: 1-24.

BOWLING: Cummins 3-0-7-0; Brown 3-0-15-1; Cox 9.5-1-38-0; Graveney 9-1-34-0.

DURHAM: First Innings 196 (M Saxelby 62, C L Hooper 5 for 52, M M Patel 4 for 88)

Second Innings

J I Longley st Marsh b Hooper	24
M Saxelby c Marsh b Hooper	44
J E Morris c Marsh b Patel	94
*P Bainbridge c Marsh b Fleming	63
J A Daley c Marsh b Patel	4
S Hutton c Ward b Patel	20
D A Graveney c Walker b Patel	9
†C W Scott c Marsh b Hooper	3
A C Cummins c Ealham b Patel	8
S J E Brown not out	0
D M Cox c Marsh b Patel	0
Extras (b 4, lb 7, w 2, nb 2)	15
Total	284

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-59, 2-72, 3-237, 4-237, 5-250, 6-272, 7-275, 8-279, 9-284.

BOWLING: McCague 8-0-36-0; Ealham 12-2-40-0; Patel 37.5-12-84-6, Hooper 37-13-73-3; Wren 6-1-21-0; Fleming 5-1-19-1.

Umpires: B Dudleston and J W Holder.

Glouces v Northants

BRISTOL: Northamptonshire (22pts) beat Gloucestershire (3) by eight wickets

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings 296 (R I Dawson 83, M G N Windows 77).

Second Innings

A J Wright b Curran	66
M G N Windows lbw b Curran	25
T H C Hancock lbw b Curran	9
R I Dawson b Curran	12
M W Alleyne lbw b Ambrose	81
M Dawes c Montgomerie b Roberts	36
R J Cunliffe lbw b Ambrose	7
*†R C Russell b Ambrose	0
R C Williams c Hughes b Roberts	1
M C J Ball b Ambrose	5
K P Sheeraz not out	0
Extras (b 1, lb 7, nb 2)	10
Total	254

FALL OF WICKETS. 1-53, 2-65, 3-79, 4-138, 5-236, 6-243, 7-243, 8-248, 9-254.

BOWLING: Ambrose 26-8-51-4; Hughes 20-6-48-0; Penberthy 10-3-26-0; Curran 19-4-65-4; Roberts 22.1-8-50-2; Bailey 2-0-4-0

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings 349.

Second Innings

R R Montgomerie b Ball	90
A Fordham c Wright b Ball	75
R J Bailey not out	27
M B Loye not out	5
Extras (lb 1, w 1, nb 4)	6
Total (2 wkts)	203

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-122, 2-197.

BOWLING: Williams 10-0-32-0; Alleyne 10-0-42-0; Ball 18-1-76-2; Davies 8-1-31-0; Hancock 3-0-21-0.

Tetley Bitter Challenge

Glamorgan v S Africans

PONTYPRIDD (final day of three): Glamorgan drew with the South Africans

GLAMORGAN: First Innings 337 for 5 dec

Second Innings

S P James lbw b Matthews	0
A Dale c Symcox b Snell	24
D L Hemp c Richardson b Symcox	18
*M P Maynard c Cronje b Snell	101
S L Watkin lbw b Matthews	0
P A Cottey b Snell	28
A J Dalton c Cullinan b Symcox	16
O D Gibson c and b Shaw	2
R D B Croft b Shaw	27
†A D Shaw not out	3
Extras (b 2, lb 3)	5
Total (9 wkts dec)	222

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-36, 3-51, 4-58, 5-162, 6-175, 7-180, 8-210, 9-222.

BOWLING. Matthews 12-0-56-2; Snell 14.1-61-3; Symcox 14-3-63-2; Shaw 17 4-6-37-2

SOUTH AFRICANS: First Innings 288 for 6 dec (R P Snell 94, W J Cronje 78).

Second Innings

G Kirsten not out	76
A C Hudson c Dale b Croft	23
R P Snell c Dale b Gibson	8
J N Rhodes c Shaw b Gibson	2
D J Cullinan not out	29
Extras (w 2)	2
Total (3 wkts)	140

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-60, 2-76, 3-86

BOWLING: Gibson 10-0-33-2; Watkin 12-2-36-0; Parkin 6-1-19-0; Croft 17-2-41-1; Dale 3-0-9-0; Hemp 2-0-2-0

Umpires: D J Constant and M J Kitchen.

BBC1

6.00 Business Breakfast (46897)

7.00 BBC Breakfast News (63044790)

9.05 Thundercats (r) (4309516) **9.30 Why Don't You...?** (r) (s) (38968)

10.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (2335351) **10.05 Playdays** (r) (s) (6641806) **10.30 Get Your Own Back** (r) (s) (1113332) **10.45 The O-Zone.** Pop music magazine (s) (1118887)

11.00 News(Ceefax), regional news and weather (2283535) **11.05 Remington Steele.** Private detective drama series (r) (5396697) **11.55 Cartoon** (6485968)

12.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (7245516) **12.05 Pebble Mill – Summer in the City.** Variety from the Birmingham Hippodrome (2658142) **12.55 Regional News** and weather (25153142)

1.00 One O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (40852) **1.30 Neighbours.** (Ceefax) (s) (41188429) **1.50 Going for Gold.** Quiz hosted by Henry Kelly (s) (41182245)

2.15 Come in Spinner. Episode one of the award-winning drama about one week in the lives of three women working in a Sydney beauty salon in 1944. Starring Rebecca Gibney, Lisa Harrow and Kerry Armstrong (r). (Ceefax) (246871)

4.00 Daffy Duck (7808158) **4.10 Bananaman** (r) (3546577) **4.15 Run the Risk** (r) (s) (9507177) **4.35 Addams Family** (r). (Ceefax) (7699887)

5.00 Newsround (3947622) **5.10 Ship to Shore.** Episode ten of the 13-part children's comedy drama. (Ceefax) (s) (9717852)

5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (389326)

6.00 Six O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (535)

6.30 Regional news magazines (887)

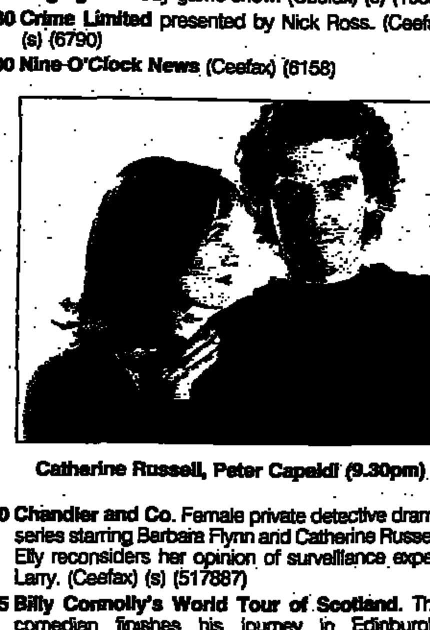
7.00 Nature Detectives. Wildlife film shot by amateur enthusiasts. (Ceefax) (s) (8535)

7.30 EastEnders. (Ceefax) (s) (871)

8.00 Gagtag. Comedy game show. (Ceefax) (s) (1055)

8.30 Crime Limited presented by Nick Ross. (Ceefax) (s) (6790)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News (Ceefax) (6158)



Catherine Russell, Peter Capaldi (9.30pm)

9.30 Chandler and Co. Female private detective drama series starring Barbara Flynn and Catherine Russell. Elly reconsiders her opinion of surveillance expert Larry. (Ceefax) (s) (517887)

10.25 Billy Connolly's World Tour of Scotland. The comedian finishes his journey in Edinburgh. (Ceefax) (123239). **Wales:** Linda Mitchell 10.55 Billy Connolly 11.25 Midnight Caller 12.15am-1.45 Film: The Bit Part

10.55 Midnight Caller. Gary Cole stars as the late-night radio phone-in host. (Ceefax) (s) (413185)

11.45 FILM: The Bit Part (1987) starring Chris Haywood, Katrina Foster and Nicole Kidman. An entertaining comedy about a careers counsellor who decides to fulfil his dream of being an actor. Directed by Brendan Maher (269332) **1.15am Weather** (7959369)

2.45-3.15 BBC Select: Executive Business Channel. *Scrambled* (72611)

BBC2

6.20 Open University

8.00 Breakfast News (Ceefax and signing) (1301326)

8.15 Pinocchio (r) (9888719) **8.40 Babar** (r) (6825245)

9.05 FILM: Maisie was a Lady (1941, b/w) starring Ann Sothern. Fired from her carnival job, a young woman becomes a maid to a wealthy family. Directed by Edwin L Marin (6940516)

10.25 FILM: Quartet (1949, b/w). Somerset Maugham introduces four of his classic tales of wit and intrigue: The Facts of Life, directed by Ralph Smart; The Allen Corn directed by Harold French; The Kite directed by Arthur Crabtree; and The Colonel's Lady directed by Ken Annakin (51918332)

12.20 Pride of Dress (7247974)

12.30 Rediscovery of the World. Thai fishermen (7395852) **1.20 Joshua Jones** (r) (17123245) **1.30 Orville and Cuddles** (r) (36941451)

1.35 Play Golf with Peter Alliss (r) (72529852)

2.00 News (Ceefax) and weather, followed by **Living with the Dying.** Profile of a man with terminal cancer (5061) **2.30 See Hear!** (Ceefax) (s) (448)

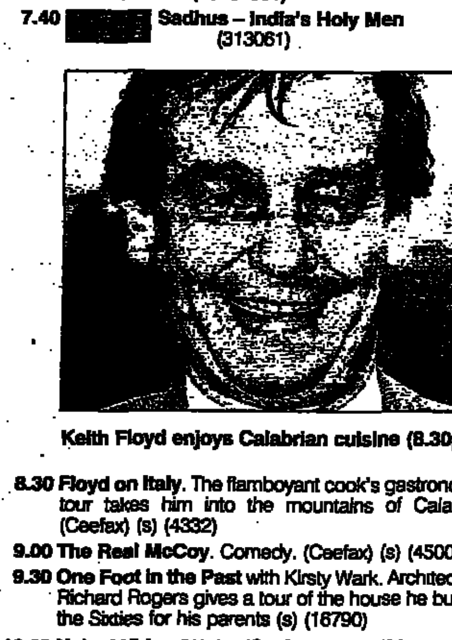
3.00 News (Ceefax) followed by **The Gun** (r) (8790603) **3.20 Day Out** in South Somerset (r) (9605185) **3.50 News** (Ceefax) and weather (2307719)

4.00 FILM: His Butler's Sister (1943, b/w) starring Deanna Durbin as a small-town girl with dreams of becoming a famous opera singer. Directed by Frank Borzage (20603)

5.30 Flight for Life. After local health authorities withdrew financial support a public appeal has kept a county air ambulance service airborne (264)

6.00 FILM: Dodge City (1939) starring Errol Flynn and Olivia de Havilland. Western adventure directed by Michael Curtiz (75434351)

7.40 CHOICE **Sadhus – India's Holy Men** (313061)



Keith Floyd enjoys Calabrian cuisine (8.30pm)

8.30 Floyd on Italy. The flamboyant cook's gastronomic tour takes him into the mountains of Calabria. (Ceefax) (s) (4332)

9.00 The Real McCoy. Comedy. (Ceefax) (s) (4500)

9.30 One Foot in the Past with Kirsty Wark. Architect Sir Richard Rogers gives a tour of the house he built in the Sixties for his parents (s) (16790)

10.00 Naked Video 2½ (r). (Ceefax) (s) (87790)

10.30 Newsnight (Ceefax) (279055)

11.15 CHOICE **The Information War – A Late Show Special** (s) (787784)

11.55 Weather (680622)

12.00 Engineering: Work and Energy (50833). Ends at **12.30am**

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CHOICE



Lotan Baba eats grass as a penance (BBC2, 7.40pm)

Sadhus – India's Holy Men
BBC2, 7.40pm

After running away from home, labouring, driving a truck and wandering for some years, Lotan Baba settled down and became a sadhu. As we learn in tonight's first film of three in the series, this meant forsaking home, family and worldly comfort for a life of spiritual discipline. Central to the sadhu's evolution are penances and harsh punishments. They do not come much harsher than Baba's 4,000-kilometre journey across India to the shrine of a goddess. Not only does he have to brave desert and monsoon but his mode of travel is rolling on his side, a painful process which leaves him covered in blisters. A film-maker could hardly hope for better material.

The Information War: A Late Show Special
BBC2, 11.15pm

Journalists and broadcasters reflect, somewhat ruefully, on 25 years of British media coverage of the Northern Ireland conflict. They started from a position of colossal ignorance and soon became accused by republicans and Loyalists alike of being partial to the other side. Ulster provided television with some of its most controversial programmes and its biggest rows, from *Real Lives* to *Death on the Rock*. Reporters found themselves cunningly manipulated by the British Army and by Sinn Fein as each tried to seek the maximum propaganda advantage. Perhaps too little is said about the sheer danger of the reporters' trade. But a Belfast journalist reveals the unwanted distinction of being shot at by Loyalists, kidnapped by the IRA and beaten up by the Army.

Out
Channel 4, 9.00pm

The gay and lesbian magazine considers the connection between homosexuality and drugs. We are told that it goes back at least to Victorian times when opium was sold over chemists' counters. As to why gay men in particular should use drugs, it is suggested that this has to do with a rejection of conventional society. Drug-taking has also become linked to the gay club scene, as an expression of communal experience. Contributors include Minette, a drag artist, and Peter Burton of the *Gay Times*. As if to head off accusations of endorsing a dubious practice, the film quotes statistics that such drugs kill only a tiny number of people in Britain each year, compared with those caused by tobacco and alcohol abuse.

Lipstick on Your Collar
Channel 4, 10.00pm

Dennis Potter's last television series, is given a second showing in tribute to the writer, who died in June. *Lipstick* forms the final part of a loose trilogy, which started with *Pennies From Heaven* and continued with *The Singing Detective* (which has just been repeated on BBC 1). Each evokes a decade, each has the actors miming to popular songs of the period. Drawing on his experience of National Service in the 1950s, Potter sets *Lipstick* in the year of the Suez crisis and uses the story to explore British imperial pretensions and the sexual awakening of the young. If the project lacks the dazzling invention of *The Singing Detective*, it is rich in Potter's provocative insights and barbed wit and the songs are used to telling effect. **Peter Waymark**

CARLTON

6.00 GMTV (1573719)

9.25 C.O.P.S. Animated adventures (4314448) **9.50 The New Adventures of He-Man** (5140326) **10.20 News** headlines (Teletext) (9885784) **10.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (9884055)

10.30 FILM: For Love or Money (1984) starring Suzanne Pleshette, Gil Gerard and Jamie Farr. Comedy about two strangers who start to fall in love when competing on a game show. Will their love survive a million-dollar jackpot? Directed by Terry Hughes (56530351) **12.20 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (7161500)

12.30 News (Teletext) and weather (3287448)

12.55 Emmerdale (r) (Teletext) (3199239) **1.25 Home and Away.** (Teletext) (16518871)

1.55 Good Advice. American comedy series starring Shelley Long (s) (41003784) **2.20 Russell Grant's All Star Show.** What is in store for Koo Stark and *Coronation Street* actor Ken Morley? (73317887) **2.50 The Young Doctors** (9978448)

3.20 News headlines (Teletext) (1626448) **3.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (1625719)

3.30 Wizadora (r) (1639158) **3.40 Tots TV** (r) (s) (2398061) **3.50 Twinkle the Dream Being** (2394245) **4.00 Taz-Mania** (r) (s) (1227326) **4.15 Halfway Across the Galaxy and Turn Left** (s) (9410697) **4.40 Children's Ward** (r). (Teletext) (s) (6796090)

5.10 After 5 (Teletext) (3800719)

5.40 News (Teletext) and weather (364090)

5.55 Your Shout. Viewers' video soapbox (435790)

6.00 Home and Away (r) (Teletext) (603)

6.30 London Tonight (Teletext) and weather (555)

7.00 Emmerdale. (Teletext) (3603)

7.30 Dilly Down Town Dilly Braimoh on a musical tour of multi-cultured London (s) (239)

8.00 The Bill: Looking For Mr Right. Morgan and Woods investigate an assault case that uncovers kidnapping and blackmail. (Teletext) (2351)

8.30 Take Your Pick. Game show. (Teletext) (8158)



Thompson and Kerrigan swap secrets (9.00pm)

9.00 Medics. Dr Alison Makin (Teddi Thompson) discovers that Dr Sarah Kemp (Patricia Kerrigan) has something to hide. (Teletext) (s) (1719)

10.00 News at Ten (Teletext) and weather (81516) **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) and weather (832603)

10.40 Just a Minute. Game show (s) (922023)

11.10 Capital Lives. Drama about a transsexual prison inmate (s) (117326)

11.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H (861210)

12.40am The Beat (s) (4121340)

1.40 Nigel Mansell's IndyCar 94 (r) (2400949)

2.05 FILM: Strongroom (1962, b/w) starring Derren Nesbitt. Thriller about two petty criminals who plan to rob a bank over the Easter weekend. Directed by Vernon Sewell (1391765)

3.30 America's Top Ten (s) (56746)

4.00 The Little Picture Show (r) (13833)

5.00 Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (r) (65814)

5.30 ITN Morning News (55388). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.35 The California Raisin Show (r) (4475790)

7.00 The Big Breakfast (36603)

9.00 Running the Halls. Teen comedy drama (r) (Teletext) (91993)

9.30 Wish Kid (r) (5235448)

9.55 Saved By the Bell. American high school comedy (r) (Teletext) (5147239)

10.25 Owl TV. Wildlife series (r). (Teletext) (3416239)

10.50 Betty's Bunch. Adventures of a foster mother and her brood (r) (5050852)

11.20 Terrytoons. Classic cartoons (5317264)

11.50 Super Mario World (r) (5143784)

12.05 The Lone Ranger. Vintage western adventures (2828784)

12.30 Sesame Street. Entertaining early learning series. The guest is James Taylor (r) (55852) **1.30 Madeline.** Animated adventures of a little French girl (s) (20993)

2.00 Channel 4 Racing from York. Brough Scott introduces live coverage of the 2.05, 2.35, 3.10 (Juddmonte International Stakes), 3.45 and 4.15 races (989142)

4.30 Countdown. Another round of the words and numbers game, presented by Richard Whiteley (852)

5.00 Oprah Gold. The guests are an entire family who are all involved in extra-marital affairs (9769448)

5.50 Deputy Dawg. Cartoon (352413)

6.00 Batman. The caped crusader is a candidate for the office of mayor of Gotham, running against The Penguin (Burgess Meredith). (Teletext) (245)

6.30 Rocko's Modern Life. A double animated bill about an odd wallaby. (Teletext) (s) (697)

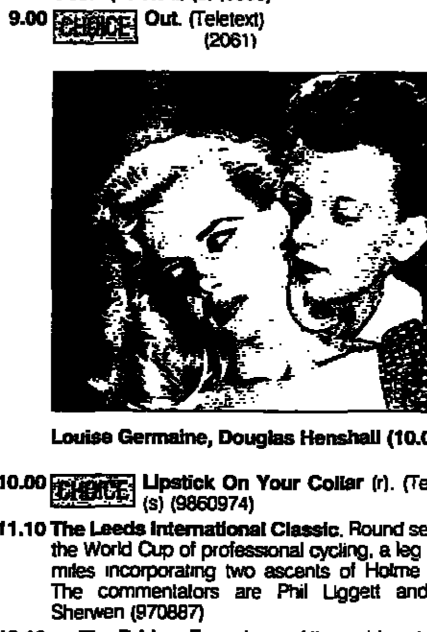
7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) and weather (987429)

7.50 The Slot. Viewer access series (365069)

8.00 Classic Cars: Red and Sexy. A look at the bodywork of Italian masterpieces (r). (Teletext) (s) (7103)

8.30 Brookside. Soap set in a suburban Merseyside close (Teletext) (s) (6500)

9.00 CHOICE **Out.** (Teletext) (2061)



Louise Germaine, Douglas Henshall (10.00pm)

10.00 CHOICE **Lipstick On Your Collar** (r). (Teletext) (s) (9860974)

11.10 The Leeds International Classic. Round seven of the World Cup of professional cycling, a leg of 144 miles incorporating two ascents of Holme Moss. The commentators are Phil Liggett and Paul Sherwen (970887)

12.10am The Bridge. Episode six of the eight-part drama set in a small Dutch town just before the start of the Second World War. In Dutch with English subtitles (r) (s) (2806765)

1.00 Painted Faces. A short film set in an artist's studio (r) (8478291)

1.20 Best Wishes A drama/documentary, made by St Martin's School of Art, exploring the emotional conflicts within a family one of whom has been diagnosed HIV positive (5809982) Ends at **1.35**

RADIO 1

FM Stereo. **4.00am** Bruno Brookes **6.30** Kevin Greening **9.00** Simon Mayo **12.30pm** Newsbeat **12.45pm** 1FM Roadshow, from Plymouth **2.00** Mark Goodier **4.00** Nicky Campbell **7.00** Evening Session **9.00** The Story of Pop: Today's Music Today — Ten Little Indies **10.00** Mark Radcliffe **12.00-4.00am** Lynn Parsons

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **6.00am** Sarah Kennedy **7.30** Wake Up to Wogan **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.30** Jimmy Young **2.00pm** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Ed Stewart **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Celebrity Gossip **7.30** Hayes Over Britain **9.00** Bert Lahr — King of the Forest **10.00** Mr Finchley Takes the Road **10.30** The Jamesons **12.05am** Steve Madden **3.00-6.00** Alex Lester

RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00am Morning Reports **6.00** The Breakfast Programme, including at **6.55** and **7.55** the 5 Live Racing Preview **8.35** The Magazine, incl at **10.35** Europe News, and at **11.15** Dirty News **12.00** Midday with Mair, including at **12.34pm** Moneycheck **2.05** Ruscoe on Five **4.00** John Inverdale Nationwide **7.00** News Extra, including at **7.20** the day's sport in full **7.35** Inside Edge **10.05** News Talk, with Paul Reynolds **11.00** Night Extra, including at **11.45** The Financial World Tonight **12.05am** After Hours **2.00** Up All Night, with Rhod Sharp

WORLD SERVICE

All times in **BST** **4.30am** BBC English **4.45** Fruhmagazin **5.00** Newshour **6.00** News in German **6.03** Morgenmagazin: in German, including Tips für Touristen **6.27** News in German **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** World News **7.10** British News **7.15** The World Today **7.30** Rock Salad **8.00** World News **8.15** Off the Shelf: The Rainbow **8.30** New Ideas **8.50** Women at the Top **9.00** World News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Concert Hall **10.00** World News **10.05** World Business Report **10.15** Sex in Pop **10.30** On Screen **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News Summary **11.01** Pop Science **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** Megamix **1.00** World News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** Multitrack: Hit List **1.45** Sports Roundup **2.00** Newshour **3.00** World News **3.05** Outlook **3.30** Off the Shelf: The Rainbow **3.45** Music As It Was **4.00** World News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** News in German **4.35** Heute Aktuell in German **5.00** World and British News **5.15** BBC English **6.00** World News **6.05** World Business Report **6.15** The World Today **6.30** News and Features in German including Heute Aktuell, Kaleidoskop and Tips für Touristen **8.00** World News **8.05** Outlook **8.30** Europe Today **9.00** World News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** The World Today **9.30** Meridian **10.00** Newshour **11.00** World News **11.05** World Business Report **11.15** Megamix **11.45** Sports Roundup **Midnight** Newsdesk **12.30am** Omnibus **1.00** World News **1.10** British News **1.15** Concert Hall **2.00** World News **2.05** Outlook **2.30** Sound Business **2.45** Country Style **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** Andy Kershaw's World of Music **4.00** Newsdesk

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Nick Bailey **9.00** Jane Markham **12.00** Susannah Simons **2.00pm** Lunchtime Concerto: Bax (Violin Concerto) **3.00** Petroc Trelawny **6.00** Classic Reports, with Sarah Ward **7.00** The Opera Guide, with Hugh MacPherson **8.00** Evening Concert: Mozart (Symphony No 35, Haffner); Elgar (Serenade in E minor); Delius (Air and Dance); Arensky (Piano Concerto in F minor). Dvořák (Symphony No 8 in G) **10.00** Michael Mappin **1.00-6.00am** André Leon

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Russ and Jono **10.00** Gary King **1.00pm** Graham Dene **4.00** Wendy Lloyd **7.00** Nick Abbot **10.00** N.J. Williams **2.00-6.00am** Paul Coyle

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA

As London except: 10.25am Anglia News and Weather (9884055) **10.30** Bananas in Pyjamas (1860103) **10.35** James Bond Junior (5148061) **11.00** Ox Tales (5315806) **11.25** The New Adventures of Black Beauty (5318893) **11.55** The Munsters Today (1491603) **12.20pm-12.30** Anglia News and Weather (7161500) **1.55-2.20** A Country Practice (41003784) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (9978448) **3.25-3.30** Anglia News and Weather (1625719) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (3800719) **6.25-7.00** Anglia Weather followed by Anglia News (711999) **7.30-8.00** Countywide (239) **10.30** Anglia News and Weather (832603) **10.40** Laughing Gas (922023) **11.10-11.40** Married with Children (117326) **12.35am** Secrets (185543) **2.20** The Little Picture Show (5329340) **3.20** ITV Chart Show (7784582) **4.15** Jobfinder (1908017) **4.55** Curtis Calls (69470348) **5.00-5.30** About Britain: McGilloway's Way (65814)

CENTRAL

As London except: 10.30 Bananas in Pyjamas (1860103) **10.35** James Bond Junior (5148061) **11.00** Ox Tales (5315806) **11.25** The Munsters Today (7498413) **11.50-12.20** Deepwater Haven (9566264) **1.55-2.20** A Country Practice (41003784) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (9978448) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (3800719) **6.25-7.00** Central News and Weather (711999) **7.30-8.00** Chatsworth (239) **10.40** Married with Children (922023) **11.10** Tour of Duty (164784) **12.00am** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (54659) **12.30-12.40** Night Shift (3293455) **4.00** Jobfinder (3512814) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (8166727)

HTV WEST

As London except: 10.30-12.20 Conspiracy of Love (56530351) **1.55-2.20** De Medici Kitchen (41003784) **2.50-3.20** Shortland Street (9978448) **5.10-5.40** A Country Practice (3800719) **5.55** Home and Away (378210) **6.25-7.00** HTV News (711999) **7.30-8.00** The Country Set (239) **10.40-11.40** The Equalizer (749719) **12.35am** Secrets (185543) **2.20** The Little Picture Show (5329340) **3.20** ITV Chart Show (7784582) **4.15** Jobfinder (1908017) **4.55** Curtis Calls (69470348) **5.00-5.30** About Britain: McGilloway's Way (65814)

HTV WALES

As HTV WEST except: 6.25-7.00 Wales Tonight (711999) **7.30-8.00** On the Road with Elinor (239)

MERIDIAN

As London except: 10.30-12.20 Son of Flubber (56530351) **1.55-2.20** A Country Practice (41003784) **2.50-3.20** Shortland Street (9978448) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3800719) **6.00** Meridian Tonight (603) **6.30-7.00** A Taste of the South (555) **7.30-8.00** Summer Piers (239) **10.40** Ambulance! (922023) **11.10** Prisoner Cell Block H (251254) **12.05am-12.40** Sledge Hammer (5777475) **5.00-5.30** Freescreen (65814)

TYNE TEES

As London except: 1.55-2.20 A Country Practice (41003784) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3800719) **5.55** Tyne Tees Today (331582) **6.30-7.00** Talkabout (555) **7.30-8.00** Good Advice (239) **10.40** Onassis - The Richest Man in The World (47209177) **12.30am** Kojak (4142833) **1.25** The Little Picture Show (8185920) **2.25** Sport AM (5328611) **3.25** Steve Marriott (9737475) **4.25-5.30** Jobfinder (2459456)

WESTCOUNTRY

As London except: 1.55 The Young Doctors (72532326) **2.25** Russell Grant's All Star Show (73316158) **2.55-3.20** A Country Practice (8323790) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3800719) **6.00-7.00** Westcountry Live (35871) **7.30-8.00** Cobblestones, Cottages and Castles (239) **10.40** Married with Children (922023) **11.10-11.40** Not Bad for a Girl (117326) **12.35am** Secrets (185543) **2.20** The Little Picture Show (5329340) **3.20** ITV Chart Show (7784582) **4.15** Jobfinder (1908017) **4.55** Curtis Calls (69470348) **5.00-5.30** About Britain (65814)

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 1.55-2.20 A Country Practice (41003784) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3800719) **5.55** Calendar (331582) **6.30-7.00** Talkabout (555) **7.30-8.00** Good Advice (239) **10.40** Onassis - The Richest Man In The World (47209177) **12.30am** Kojak (4142833) **1.25** The Little Picture Show (8185920) **2.25** Sport AM (5328611) **3.25** Steve Marriott (9737475) **4.25-5.30** Jobfinder (2459456)

S4C

Starts: 7.00 The Big Breakfast (36603) **9.00** Running The Halls (91993) **9.30** Wish Kid (5235448) **9.55** Saved By the Bell (5147239) **10.25** Owl TV (3416239) **10.50** Betty's Bunch (5050852) **11.20** Terrytoons (5317264) **11.50** The Adventures Of The Super Mario (5143784) **12.05pm** The Lone Ranger (2828784) **12.30** Sesame Street (55852) **1.30** Garden Club: Bridgnorth (20993) **2.00** Channel 4 Racing (989142) **4.30** Wild Britain (852) **5.00** Happy Days (8581) **5.30** Countdown (332) **6.00** Newyddion (712871) **6.20** Heno (127790) **7.00** Jacpot (1245) **7.30** Gimau'r Gymanwiad '94 (581) **8.00** Hwyl Y Noson Lawen (7103) **8.30** Newyddion (6500) **9.00** Rasus (2061) **10.00** Brookside (89158) **10.30** Blue Heaven (98806) **11.00** The Attendant (181516) **11.10** The Leeds Classic (970887) **12.10am** Out (1966369)

RADIO 3

6.30am Open University: Reading Novels: the Rational Amusement **6.55** Weather

7.00 On Air, with Catriona Young. Anton Zimmerman (Cassation in D); Purcell (Blow up the Trumpet in Zion); Sibelius (The Oceanides); Bach (Three-Part Inventions Nos 9-11, BWV 795-797); Rossini (Variations in C, Op 109); Brahms (Variations on a theme by Robert Schumann, Op 9)

9.00 Composer of the Week: Biber

10.00 Musical Encounters: Grieg (Homage March, Sigurd Jorsalfar); *Prom Artist of the Week*: John Eliot Gardiner conducts Schütz (O bone Jesu, fili Mariae); Mozart (Concerto in G, K216)

11.00 Edinburgh International Festival 1994: Olga Borodina, mezzo, and Larissa Gergieva, piano, give the first of three five recitals from the Queen's Hall, Edinburgh

1.00 Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra under Riccardo Chailly performs Alfred Schnittke (Pianissimo); Luigi Nono (No hay caminos, hay que caminar); Shostakovich (Violin Concerto No 1)

2.20 Two Pianos and Percussion: Martin Jones and Richard McMahon, pianos, Tristan Fry and James Holland, percussion, perform works by Grainger, Bartók, Stravinsky and Gershwin

3.55 Ulster Orchestra: Nicholas Braithwaite conducts Bridge (Suite for Strings); Stanford (Piano Concerto No 2 in C minor: Malcolm Binns)

5.00 The Music Machine (r)

5.15 In Tune

7.30 BBC Proms 1994: Live from the Albert Hall, London. Felicity Lott, soprano; London Philharmonic under Franz Welser-Möst perform a programme of Viennese music. Mozart (Symphony No 35 in D, K385, Haffner); Johann Strauss, son (Draussen in Sievering, Die Tänzerin Fanny Elssler); Robert Stolz (Du sollst der Kaiser meiner Seele sin, Der Favorit); Suppé (Overture, Light Cavalry). **8.15** Of Coffins and Bicycles. Graeme Fife's impression of Franz Suppé is read by Edward de Souza (r). **8.35** Johann Strauss, son (March, Kaiser Franz Joseph); Josef Strauss (Waltz, Music of the Spheres); Léhar (Meine Lippen sie küssen so heiss, Giuditta); Heuberger (Im Chambre Séparée, Der Opernball); Johann Strauss, son (Egyptian March; Polka; Eljen a Magyar); Léhar (Liebe du Himmel auf Erden, Paganini); Johann Strauss, son (Czardas and Overture, Die Fledermaus)

9.50 Four Score and Ten Remembered: Frances Partridge reveals how she became a diarist (r)

10.05 Polish Violin Music: Paul Barritt, violin, Catherine Edwards, piano, perform Gorecki (Variations, Op 4); Szymanowski (The Fountain of Arethusa, Myths); Lutoslawski (Recitative and Aria); Bacewicz (Sonata No 4); Gorecki (Sonatina in One Movement, Op 8) (r)

10.45 Synge Song: The musical compositions of the author John Millington Synge (r)

11.30-12.30am The BBC Orchestras: BBC National Orchestra of Wales under Martyn Brabbins performs Mussorgsky, orch Lyadov; Mussorgsky, orch Rimsky-Korsakov; Arvo Pärt; Glazunov

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing, incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day **6.30** Today, incl **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **6.55, 7.55** Weather **7.25, 8.25** Sports News **7.45** Thought for the Day, with Christina Rees

8.40 Rifleman and Hussar: The second of five extracts selected by Frederick Bradnum from the memoirs of Sir Percival Marling VC. Read by Peter Ustinov **8.58** Weather

9.00 News 9.05 Call Nick Ross: 071-580 4444. Topical discussion

10.00-10.30 News; A Land Out of Time (FM only): See Choice

10.00 Daily Service (LW only)

10.15 Children's Radio 4: Simple Simon (LW only), by Yvonne Coppard. Ian Targett reads the second of a five-part adaptation

10.30 Woman's Hour, introduced by Wendy Austin. Serial: *The Great Elephant Chase*

11.30 Medicine Now, presented by Geoff Watts

12.00 You and Yours, with John Howard

12.25pm It's Your Round: Peter White chairs the third quarter-final in the pub quiz contest **12.55** Weather

1.00 The World at One, with Nick Clarke

1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping Forecast

2.00 News; Thirty-Minute Theatre: How I Met Franz. The second of two plays by John Antrobus, written for Patricia Hayes, is a bizarre comedy. On a housing estate, somewhere in London . . . With Robert Glenister and John Baddeley (r)

2.30 A Night at the Opera: Dipak Nandy, pioneer in the field of equal opportunities, talks to Monty Haltrecht about his enthusiasm for opera

3.00 News; Anderson Country: 071-765 5540

4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope: Gill Pyrah seeks out talented first-time novelists; and Paul Allen reviews productions at Edinburgh

4.45 Short Story: Looking for the Spark, by Angus Dunn. Read by Jimmy Chisholm

5.00 PM, with Linda Lewis and John Sopel **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather

6.00 Six O'Clock News

6.30 The Older Woman, by Tony Bagley. The return of the comedy drama that mixes fantasy with reality. With Martin Clunes as Roy Hitchcock, Geraldine James as Jane Gallaghan and Nicky Henson as Chad Mann

7.00 News 7.05 The Archers

7.20 Relative Values. See Choice

8.00 Science Now, with Alun Lewis

8.30 First Person Singular: Marcella Evaristi cogitates on the irrevocable, that moment when the door clicks shut behind you

9.00 In Touch: Peter White presents the magazine for people with a visual handicap

9.30 Kaleidoscope (r) **9.59** Weather

10.00 The World Tonight, with Janet Cohen

10.45 A Book at Bedtime: The Pursuit of Love. Episode seven of Nancy Mitford's classic story. Read by Anna Massey

11.00 Mediumwave (r)

11.30 The Heritage Quiz: Sue MacGregor quizzes panellists Christopher Cook, Timothy Clifford, Philippa Gregory and Margaret Rule (r)

12.00-12.43am News, incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

CHOICE

Relative Values. *Radio 4, 7.20pm.*

Michael O'Donnell's dissections of family life alternate between throwing light on dark places and casting shadows over places that were once well-lit. This is the story of the Charnocks. She is black, he is white. Their twin sons are of different hues. But it was not colour problems that ended the Charnocks' marriage. It was his violence and their total inability to communicate with each other at any level. If the Charnocks are sending a cautionary message to the rest of us tonight, it has not dropped into my letter-box.

A Land Out of Time. *Radio 4 FM, 10.00am.*

The eponymous land is the coastline and countryside of Cornwall and north Devon: valleys, steep hills, ancient oaks and seas that, when rough, can send their spray ten miles inland. But I do not know about its being a land out of time, as one local puts it this morning. People tend to talk like this when nothing much changes in their back gardens except for — as in this case — the building of new roads and the declining lobster trade. Joss Ackland narrates with his voice in actor's mode. **Peter Davalle**

RADIO 1: FM 97.6-99.8. **RADIO 2:** FM-88-90.2. **RADIO 3:** FM-90.2-92.4. **RADIO 4:** 198kHz/1515m; FM-92.4-94.6; LW 198. **RADIO 5:** 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m. **LBC:** 1152kHz/261m; FM 97.3. **CAPITAL:** 1548kHz/194m; FM-95.8. **GLR:** FM 94.9; **WORLD SERVICE:** MW 648kHz/463m. **CLASSIC FM:** FM-100-102. **VIRGIN:** MW-1215, 1197, 1242 kHz.

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SATELLITE

SKY ONE

6.00am The DJ Kat Show (70761326) **9.10** Cartoons (1440974) **9.30** Card Sharks (1548780) **9.55** Concentration (1450561) **10.25** Dynamo Duck (3535055) **10.30** Love at First Sight (22887) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (84264) **12.00** The Urban Peasant (40239) **12.30pm** E Street (56332) **1.00** Falcon Crest (51887) **2.00** Hart to Hart (54581) **3.00** Another World (4872993) **3.45** The DJ Kat Show (6899790) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (1264) **6.00** The Simpsons (7177) **6.30** Blockbusters (8429) **7.00** E Street (2993) **7.30** M*A*S*H (4413) **8.00** The Josephine Baker Story (90790) **10.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (13697) **11.00** Late Show with David Letterman (144535) **11.45** V (956581) **12.45-1.45am** Hill Street Blues (198475)

SKY NEWS

News on the hour
6.00am Sunrise Europe (88697) **9.30** Beyond 2000 (50158) **10.30** Nightline (20429) **11.30** Japan Business Today (74210) **1.30pm** CBS Morning News (53245) **2.30** Parliament Live (7790) **3.15** Parliament Live, continued (4868790) **4.30** News and Business Report (1326) **5.00** Live at Five (9806) **7.30** Target (2055) **9.30** Talkback (61210) **11.30** CBS Evening News (53806) **12.30am** ABC World News Tonight (76307) **1.30** Target (29630) **2.30** Beyond 2000 (89098) **3.30** Talkback (28938) **4.30** Target (90630) **5.30-6.00** CBS Evening News (90942)

SKY MOVIES

6.00am Showcase (6895644)
10.00 The Last of Sheila (1973). Murder mystery with an all-star cast (67448)
12.00 A Distant Trumpet (1964) Frontier western, with Troy Donahue (68784)
2.00pm Kingdom of the Spiders (1977) William Shatner saves the world from angry tarantulas (81167)
4.00 Savage Islands (1983) Swashbuckler drama with Tommy Lee Jones (35100448)
5.45 Over the Hill (1991): A widow leaves small-town America for Australia. With Olympia Dukakis, Derek Fowlds (92970500)
7.30 Close-Up: Bram Stoker's Dracula (9581)
8.00 City of Joy (1992). Patrick Swayze is a doctor who finds meaning in the streets of Calcutta. With Pauline Collins (12177790)
10.15 The Unbearable Lightness of Being (1988) Daniel Day-Lewis stars as a philandering Prague surgeon (38879535)
1.05am The Hitman (1991) Revenge drama with Chuck Norris and Michael Parks (7620036)
2.35 The Prisoner of Second Avenue (1975) Jack Lemmon and Anne Bancroft are a New York couple overwhelmed by the urban way of life (639746)
4.10 Shattered Silence (1992). Harrowing child abuse drama with Bonnie Bedelia (529291) Ends at **5.25**

SKY MOVIES GOLD

6.00pm The Caine Mutiny (1954) A court-martial takes place on a battleship. Tense drama with Humphrey Bogart (68754061)
8.05 Sabata (1970). Violent western starring Lee Van Cleef (73147622)
10.00 Blue Thunder (1983): Roy Scheider and Daniel Stern test out a high-tech police helicopter (46423) Ends at **12.00**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

6.00pm The Purple People Eater (1988): Children's film based on the Sheb Wooley hit record of the 1950s (13055)
8.00 Young Survivors As 6pm (49603)
10.00 Captains Courageous (1937) Kipling's tale with Spencer Tracy, Lionel Barrymore, Freddie Bartholomew (58790)
12.00 Twister (1989) Cult offbeat drama, with Harry Dean Stanton, about a dysfunctional family (66326)
2.00pm Battle of the Coral Sea (1959): Submarine captain Cliff Robertson is captured by the Japanese (61149)
4.00 Mrs Lambert Remembers Love (1991) Tender drama, with Ellen Burstyn, about an orphaned boy reared by his grandmother (1210)
6.00 Young Survivors (1982) Three children are stranded on a shipwreck (15055)
8.00 Kuffs (1992). Action comedy with Christian Slater as a high school boy who inherits a police protection agency (10500)
10.00 Best of the Best 2 (1993) Martial arts thriller with Eric Roberts (817055)
11.40 Confessions from a Holiday Camp (1977): Bawdy comedy with Robin Askwith and Anthony Booth (708897)
1.10am Coopersmith (1991): An unconventional insurance investigator is assigned to a murder case (1987982)
2.35 Devlin (1992): Murder thriller with Bryan Brown and Roma Downey (992727)
4.25 Mrs Lambert Remembers Love As 4pm (499746) Ends at **5.55**

SKY SPORTS

7.00am Soccer News (8672993) **7.15** WWF Mania (522413) **8.15** Soccer News (5847887) **8.30** Windsurfing Tour (35448) **9.00** They Must Be Mad (46500) **9.30** Aerobics Oz Style (72413) **10.00** Nascar (65177) **12.00** Aerobics Oz Style (39264) **12.30pm** High Five (56429) **1.00** Football Special: Countdown to the New Season (156852) **3.30** Motorsport (25210) **4.30** Baseball '94 (7142) **5.00** WWF Superstars (5622) **6.00** Soccer News (1535) **6.30** NBA Basketball Magazine (2887) **7.00** Major League Baseball (12061) **9.00** Fishomania (20413) **9.30** Get Your Handicap Down (69993) **10.00** Soccer News (911581) **10.15** Footballers Football Show (760871) **11.15** European PGA Golf (766055) **12.15-1.15am** Watersports World (724814)

EUROSPORT

7.30am Step Aerobics (33500) **8.00** Eurogolf Magazine (63993) **9.00** Live Cycling World Track Championships from Sicily, Italy (89023) **11.00** Football (22448) **12.00** Speedworld (507177) **2.30pm** Athletics: European Championships from Helsinki (97239) **4.30** Windsurfing (81055) **5.30** Football (64852) **6.30** Eurosport News (4055) **7.00** Live Cycling (894500) **9.30** Boxing (47413) **11.00** Snooker (30413) **12.00-12.30am** News (34833)

UK GOLD

7.00am The Sullivans (7347210) **7.30** Neighbours (7439245) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (7019210) **8.30** EastEnders (7018581) **9.00** The Bill (7105061) **9.30** The Chinese Detective (6283413) **10.30** Big Deal (56354622) **11.35** The Sullivans (57074871) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (7029697) **12.30pm** Neighbours (6998245) **1.00** EastEnders (7346581) **1.30** The Bill (6997516) **2.00** Porter (7435784) **2.30** The Mistress (3727535) **3.00** Knots Landing (3173790) **4.00** Dynasty (3096697) **5.00** Every Second Counts (4523413) **5.40** The Goodies (6423535) **5.55** Sykes (1615429) **6.30** EastEnders (3719516) **7.00** The Mistress (7439500) **7.30** George and Mildred (3635500) **8.00** Rosie (7526448) **8.30** Potter (7434055) **9.00** The Sweeney (1185968) **10.00** The Bill (7020326) **10.30** Naked Video (7102974) **11.00** Thunderbirds (7435158) **12.00** Dr Who (8320630) **12.30am** FILM: Jour de Fête (1947) Jacques Tati is a postman obsessed with emulating the American mail system (65932956) **1.55am** Shopping

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL

6.00am It's Droibee Time (53993) **7.00** Spiff and Hercules (6808719) **7.15** Pastagums (6501500) **7.30** Casper and Friends (19061) **8.00** Pingu (7678806) **8.05** Head to Head in 3D (7668429) **8.15** Rude Dog and the Dweebs (2241852) **8.30** Beverly Hills Teens (79806) **9.00** Bobby's World (7949326) **9.25** Around the World in 80 Seconds (9332581) **10.00** Twins of Destiny (76005) **10.30** Runaway Bay (86142) **11.00** Chuckle Club (48887) **11.30** All Change (49516) **12.00** Hour of Power (73622) **12.30pm** Ironman (90887) **1.00** Guitars and Roses (33697) **1.30** Swan's Crossing (99158) **2.00** Barney and Friends (4535) **2.30** Mysterious Cities of Gold (2806) **3.00** Garfield and Friends (7582) **3.30** Head to Head in 3D (8431993) **3.40** Summer Crunch (65694131) **4.30-5.00** Saved by the Bell (9142)

NICKELODEON

7.00am Pondles (62210) **8.00** Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles (34719) **8.30** Alvin and the Chipmunks (26790) **9.00** Where on Earth is Carmen San Diego? (44142) **9.30** Clarissa Explains It All (70055) **10.00** Rocko/Garbage Pail Kids (97210) **10.30** Denver the Last Dinosaur (40326) **11.00** Pee-Wee's Playhouse (11719) **11.30** Smoggies (12448) **12.00** Nick Faves (37806) **12.30pm** The Muppet Show (74871) **1.00** Alvin and the Chipmunks (26210) **1.30** Chroma Zone (68528) **2.30** Garbage Pail Kids (8448) **3.00** Pee-Wee's Playhouse (6784) **3.30** You Choose (3993) **4.00** Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles (9500) **4.30** Where on Earth is Carmen San Diego? (5784) **5.00** Clarissa Explains It All (1429) **5.30** Are You Afraid of the Dark (2264) **6.00** Doug (9177) **6.30-7.00** Roundhouse (803544)

DISCOVERY

4.00pm The Global Family (3716423) **4.30** Waterways (3632413) **5.00** The Real West (2347245) **5.55** California Off-Beat (1058429) **6.05** Beyond 2000 (7577557) **7.00** The Deep Probe Expeditions (1187326) **8.00** Space Age (1269974) **9.00** The X-Planes (3189351) **9.30** Choppers (6909351) **10.00** A 20th-Century Legacy? (1156697) **11.00** Australia Wild (3095968) **11.30-12.00** An African Ride (2708500)

BRAVO

12.00 FILM: The Philadelphia Story (1940) Romantic comedy with Katharine Hepburn, James Stewart and Cary Grant (2899806) **2.00** thirtysomething: First episode (2707871) **3.00** My Three Sons (7512887) **3.30** The Beverly Hillbillies (3724448) **4.00** FILM: An Alligator Named Daisy (1957): Comedy about an amorous alligator ruining the life of a suave young man (7516603) **6.00** Hogan's Heroes (3713332) **6.30** The Time Tunnel (7750871) **7.30** Honey West (3637968) **8.00** thirtysomething (1183500) **9.00** It's Garry Shandling's Show (3183177) **9.30** FILM: Rasputin — The Mad Monk (1965) Hammer horror with Christopher Lee as the sinister monk at the heart of Russia's royal family (8422577) **11.30-12.00** The Green Hornet (2702326)

UK LIVING

6.00am Agony Hour (4826516) **7.00** Living Magazine (3474993) **8.00** Days Of Our Lives (8292245) **8.55** The Fish Course (2495158) **9.25** Mr Motivator's Mornings (3900626) **9.30** Now You See It (7520210) **10.00** Trivia Trap (2372546) **10.30** Crosswits (5060582) **11.00** Definition (4301264) **11.30** The Young and the Restless (1597697) **12.30pm** Everyday Yoga (29614790) **12.45** Best of Kilroy (7851993) **1.30** Your Baby and Child (7530697) **2.00** Agony Hour (1922005) **3.00** Living Magazine (9782264) **3.45** Gladrags and Glamour (81419326) **4.00** Infatuation (7361429) **4.30** Delmmon (7287413) **5.00** Rodeo Drive (4193993) **5.30** Delia Smith's Summer Collection (7374993) **6.00** FILM: The Getting of Wisdom (1977) A sensitive teenager from the Australian outback attends a snobbish Victorian ladies' college (7261413) **8.00** The Young and the Restless (7262142) **9.00** FILM: Love Me, Leave Me: Romantic adventure (20811719) **10.50** Enjoy! (7725852) **11.00** Infatuation (4393245) **11.30-12.00** Housecalls (2523610)

FAMILY CHANNEL

5.00pm The Wonder Years (5887) **5.30** African Skies (8622) **6.00** WKRP in Cincinnati (3535) **6.30** Family Catchphrase (4867) **7.00** All Clued Up (8351) **7.30** All Together Now (6041) **8.00** Harts of the West (90784) **9.00** Neon Rider (83448) **10.00** The Pyramid Game (74351) **10.30** Newhart (87871) **11.00** Lou Grant (16974) **12.00-1.00am** Remington Steele (90562)

MTV

5.00am Awake on the Wild Side (490098) **8.00** VJ Ingo (927697) **11.00** Soul (31239) **12.00** Greatest Hits (57992) **1.00pm** Summertime (707500) **3.30** Report (8424603) **3.45** At the Movies (8429158) **4.00** News (3108500) **4.15** 3 from 1 (3294351) **4.30** Dial MTV (1500) **5.00** Music Non-Stop (96245) **6.30** Sports (6245) **7.00** Greatest Hits (89622) **8.00** Most Wanted (68871) **9.30** Beavis and Butt-Head (69221) **10.00** Report (817806) **10.15** At the Movies (805061) **10.30** News (656245) **10.45** 3 from 1 (571500) **11.00** Rock Block (31413) **1.00am** VJ Marijne (88320) **2.00** Videos (5591727)

TV ASIA

6.00am Persian Dawn (57719) **7.00** Asian Morning (23264) **9.00** Serial (99239) **10.00** Bengali FILM (745535) **1.00pm** Serial: Chor: Si Duniya (26351) **1.30** Hindi FILM (655445) **4.30** Kiddie Time (3968) **5.00-6.00** TVA and You (1448) **7.00** Serial: Haveli (4993) **7.30** Zabaan Sambhal Ke (6413) **8.00** English News (201535) **8.15** Hindi FILM (5627005) **11.15** Waqt (347055) **12.05am** Fine Past Midnight (9367746) **1.35** Sights and Sound (23813814)

CARTOON NETWORK/TNT

Continuous cartoons from 5am to 7pm, then TNT films as below.
Theme: Memories of Elvis on the 17th anniversary of his death
7.00pm Harum Scarum (1965) Elvis has a host of Arabian adventures (16124567)
8.35 Speedway (1968) Presley as a guitar-playing stock-car racer (91094245)
10.20 Stay Away, Joe (1968): Elvis as a singing rodeo champion (76472177)
12.20am Double Trouble (1967): Elvis tours Europe chased by a girl (43315543)
2.05 The Trouble with Girls (And How to Get Into It) (1969). Elvis joins a travelling medicine-show (79922291) Ends at **5.00**

Counties to consider forfeiting overseas aid

Alan Lee on the opening arguments in a debate that could eventually see English cricket turn full circle

TWENTY-EIGHT years ago, Lancashire were one of two clubs to propose that county cricket should be thrown open to overseas players. Today, at Lord's, they will ask the counties to consider doing without them. It is a measure of the shifting mood within the game that this radical suggestion will not only be debated, but also has a chance of adoption before the year is out.

The August meeting of the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) is not customarily a forum for important decisions and none are likely today. The concession Lancashire will seek is that each club agrees to delay making any long-term commitments, discusses the matter internally and returns with a mandate for the next full board meeting, in December.

The Lancashire argument, which will be presented by Bob Bennett, their chairman, is not that English players are being retarded by the profile of the imports, though this will be a persuasive factor to others. Rather, it is based upon the increasing absenteeism among foreign players required by their national teams during the previously sacrosanct English season.

"Three extra Test-playing countries have recently come into the equation, two in the last five years," Bennett said. "The consequent increase in cricket has meant an inevitable overlap with our season and counties are receiving very little notice that they will lose a leading player. Half the counties have suffered in the past three years and that is not a satisfactory situation."

One of those counties is Lancashire, who lost Wasim Akram to Pakistan's on-going tour of Sri Lanka far earlier than they had been assured would be the case. So there will be charges of self-interest levelled at their move and there is the danger — as with many of the TCCB's procedures — that parochialism will dominate the debate.

This would be a pity, for it should be a timely and thought-provoking exercise. When, in 1967, the agitation for immediate registration of overseas players bore fruit, county cricket was ailing fast. There was no money in the game and little public interest. The introduction of foreign players and the growth of one-day cricket breathed dramatic new life into a patient many had thought ready for burial.

Since then, many counties have relied heavily upon their imports for success and prosperity — by return, some have given long and distinguished service — but the game's expansion means that international cricket is now played in such volume that endless demands upon players are producing exhaustion. Richie Richardson failed to see out his contract with Yorkshire due to this and some who remain in county cricket are banking considerable salaries on false pretences.

"There are signs of what I call coasting," Bennett said. "If the highest-paid and best-known player is coasting, it will have a detrimental effect both on the game in general and on the young professionals who look up to him."

As 13 of the 18 counties at present employ a West Indian who may be involved on the tour of England next year, there will be a flurry of short-term registrations this winter. Whether or not the West Indies board has the muscle to impose suggested new contracts preventing its leading players joining counties, Bennett is anxious that the whole subject should be aired, and a consensus established, before longer-term negotiations begin.

He is aware there will be "a variance of views". This is nothing new. The first overseas players in county cricket included the Australian, Billy Midwinter, who played for Gloucestershire before the turn of the century. Doubts about the validity of such signings were expressed even then, but W.G. Grace was captain of Gloucestershire and the supreme autocrat.

Gloucestershire remain one of the counties who will take some convincing that they would be better off without overseas aid. They are impressed by Courtney Walsh's input as captain and almost wholly dependent upon his bowling. Warwickshire's chairman, M.J.K. Smith, might also have a little difficulty explaining to his members that he has just voted Brian Lara out of the club.

Bennett said: "There is a shift of feeling in the counties. I have spoken to them all and I sense it. It is not a straightforward issue, but we have got to know where the goalposts are. You cannot employ somebody when you don't control his movements, when you simply can't be sure if he will be turning up to work."

It is said that some of the glamour would vanish from the domestic game if the imports were banished, but much of their gloss has already gone. The overseas players no longer draw crowds because they are familiar, where once they were exotic; they are also jaded, where once they came with enthusiasm, and most come only to make money, when once they came to gain and share experience. It is time for English cricket to stand alone and take stock of itself, but it may be a decision too bold for some to stomach.

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Influx of cut-price imports prompts warning

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

GORDON Taylor, as chief executive of the Professional Footballers' Association, is fiercely loyal to his members. He always fights when cornered and, yesterday, he warned of the danger of cheap foreign imports flooding the English game.

When the FA Carling Premiership kicks off on Saturday, the names of Dumitrescu, Klinsmann, Schwarz and Lamptey will join the Smiths, Johnsons and Joneses on the pre-match teamsheets. Taylor, though, is concerned that as the less well-off clubs look abroad for cheaper options, the long-term interests of the England team is being damaged.

He places much of the blame on the spiralling British transfer market, which peaked during the close-season when Chris Sutton moved from Norwich City to Blackburn Rovers for £5 million. Other Premiership sides, without such financial resources, have plundered the continent for similar players at cut-price fees.

"I am not a harbinger of doom, but, in Italy, every team has to have eight Italians in it," Taylor said. "We don't have that rule here and that is a major problem. If the money goes abroad and doesn't go to clubs like Crewe, who groomed David Platt, or Torquay, who produced Lee Sharpe, then the long-term consequences for our game could be detrimental. It will become like our cricket — we can no longer produce our own fast bowlers."

Taylor is particularly perturbed at the sudden interest shown in American players. Coventry City tried to sign Alexi Lalas, a member of the United States team during the World Cup, but were rejected. They have since persuaded Cobi Jones, Lalas's teammate, to display his talents at Highfield Road.

"You don't want players coming in who are no better, just cheaper, than those already here," Taylor said. "Not so long ago, we were teaching the Americans how to play. Now I've got work permits for them piling up on my desk.

"Maybe we should look at putting a cap on fees. We certainly need some control."

Tottenham case, page 37

World championship defence ends in disqualification and recriminations

Judges call halt to title pursuit by Obree

FROM PETER BRYAN IN PALERMO, SICILY

GRAEME Obree's defence of his world 4,000 metres cycling pursuit title ended here yesterday with disqualification for "betraying the spirit" of a rule and claims that he was the victim of an officials' conspiracy.

Obree had been at the centre of confusion on Sunday, having three choices of saddle rejected even though there is no rule defining a saddle or its design. But, ever the innovator, he borrowed one from a child's mountain bike, fitted it to his original home-made bicycle and submitted it to Jacques Sabathier, the president of the world championships judges. He was relieved to be given unqualified approval to ride it yesterday.

> **'They have been gunning for me for more than a year. It's all rather ridiculous'**

What he had not anticipated was an impromptu and extended interpretation of Rule 49, amended in May "to prevent any wildcat innovations", according to the Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI). The world governing body has been concerned that "bicycles could become like Formula One racing cars, where the driver is secondary to the machine", according to a UCI technical advisor yesterday.

The objection was to Obree's aerodynamic riding position. The first Obree, 28, knew that he was not allowed to rest his chest on the handlebars during his ride came as he warmed up for his first-round heat.

"I was told one hour before the start that there must be a certain clearance between my chest and the handlebars," Obree said. "No distance was given and it was like a high jump without the bar. It is all pretty vague, but officials told me that there would be two warnings and then disqualification. I knew that they were out to get me."

The home-straight judge twice raised a red flag as Obree raced into the lead against Francis Moreau, the French 1991 world champion, and recorded the third fastest qualifying time.

"Somehow I felt something like this would happen," Obree said. "They [the UCI] have been gunning for me since I first broke the world one-hour record in July last year. It's just been one hassle after another ... ending in yesterday's complaints about the saddles I wanted to use, only to end up with a firm OK to a child's model. It's all rather ridiculous."

Obree constructed his bicycle from old tubing, a bracket from a washing machine and scraps from the streets of Irvine in Ayrshire, where he lives. His unconventional approach has put him at odds with officials in the highly commercial world of cycling. He first broke the one-hour record last year and regained it from his British rival, Chris Boardman, in April, when he covered 52.713km (32.9 miles) on the Bordeaux indoor track.

"Miguel Indurain is said to be adopting my riding position for his attack on my world hour record and riders in the Tour de France still descend mountain roads flattened over their handlebars," Obree said. "Are they going to disqualify Indurain and those guys? I don't think so."

The British team manager, Sandy Gilchrist, accompanied by Ian Emmerson, president of the British Cycling Federation and also a UCI vice-president, had their appeal against the decision rejected. "In my 22 years as mechanic and manager, the last three days have been the most horrendous," Gilchrist said. "Written rules you can obey, but we are dealing with the unwritten."

Obree's previous trouble with saddles began when the first — a home-made, small saddle in the shape of a mushroom — was rejected. So were a standard saddle with the nose cut off and a conventional saddle turned back to front. "When I asked why all three saddles had been disallowed, one of the UCI inspectors replied: 'Because you couldn't buy them over the counter at a cycle shop'," Obree claimed.

Obree maintains that he will stay in Sicily to ride in the 42km road time trial next week, but will be using triathlon bars which make it impossible to adopt the "tuck" position with his arms. Instead, his arms will be stretched forward over the front wheel.

Obree's day of disappointment turned out to be one of muted celebration for Boardman, the Olympic pursuit champion. He was the fastest of the 46 entrants, heading the eight riders who qualified for the quarter-finals.

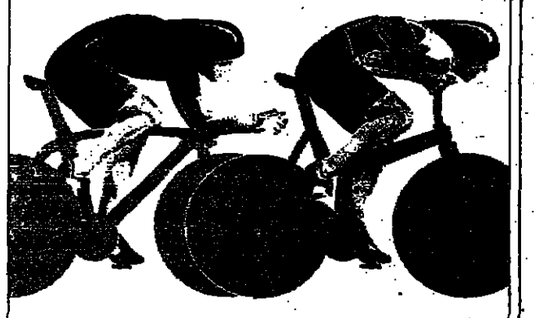
ERIC GAILLARD



Obree adopts the racing style that saw him accused of "betraying the spirit" of a rule and disqualified during the world cycling championships

OBREE'S RIDE INTO CONTROVERSY

Coventional style



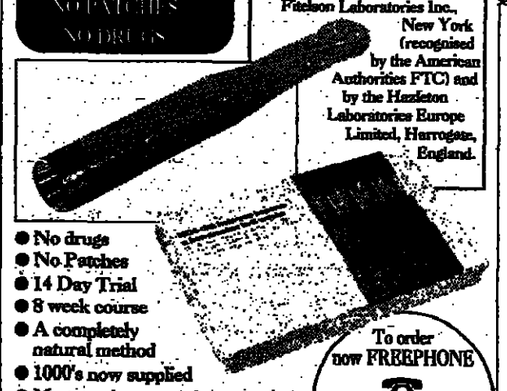
Obree's style

Graeme Obree's handlebars are twisted upwards so that he can ride in a right-angled crouch, hands moulded to his sides like a downhill skier in the tuck position. The pose cuts down wind resistance and wobble. The more conventional flat back style has the rider's hands forward on extended, or triathlon, handlebars.

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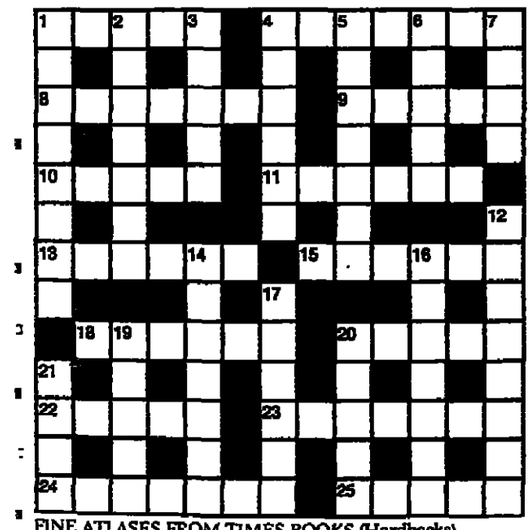
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TIMES TWO CROSSWORD

No 242

ACROSS
1 Husks; banter (5)
4 Violator of the home (7)
8 Attempted (7)
9 Side of animal (5)
10 Choose; fat (5)
11 Young in eyrie (6)
13 Most distant planet known to ancients (6)
15 Anglo-Saxon kingdom of English midlands (6)
18 Very drunk (6)
20 Portable lamp (5)
22 Large volume of sea (5)
23 (Of speech) setting the pre-*vailing tone* (7)
24 From memory (2,5)
25 List of data (5)

DOWN
1 Fairly reasonably priced (8)
2 Attack (7)
3 Egg, bacon, etc cooked in pan (3-2)
4 Harass; nocturnal mammal (6)
5 One displaced by war (7)
6 Depart (5)
7 Slope of auditorium (4)
12 (Clothes of) soft wool (8)
14 Round building (7)
16 Urban terror device (3,4)
17 Enclave; pouch (6)
19 Bloodsucker (5)
20 Romantic assignation (5)
21 Search minutely (4)

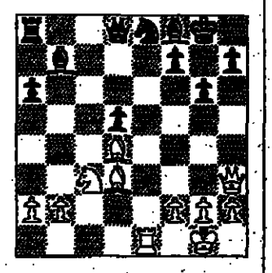
SOLUTION TO NO 241

ACROSS: 1 Christmas 6 Bib 8 Tepid 9 Lounger 10 Discus 12 Ditch 13 Tremor 14 Kissed 17 Ledge 19 See-saw 21 Immense 22 Cupid 23 Gib 24 To the bone

DOWN: 1 Cute 2 Reptile 3 Sad 4 Molest 5 Sound bite 6 Beget 7 Berthed 11 Close-knit 13 Tolling 15 Shampoo 16 Aspect 18 Demob 20 Edge 22 Cue

By Raymond Keene

This position is from the game Malesic - Masic, Yugoslavia 1965. The white bishops and queen are pointing menacingly at the black kingside. How did he now use them to dismantle Black's defences?



Solution, page 36
Raymond Keene, page 6

By Philip Howard

PANGERAN
a. A Javanese noble
b. A large knife
c. Part of the continental crust

RECKITT
a. A muscular spasm
b. A gunner's range-finder
c. Bright blue

PALAIC
a. The Middle Stone Age
b. An Orthodox lay reader
c. An Anatolian language

PROSOPON
a. The Hellespont
b. A tragic mask
c. The outward appearance

Answers on page 36